Ysgol Bro Famau

Autumn Term Curriculum Newsletter

Year 3 and 4

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| Welcome back/ Croeso nôl.  This term there will be a strong focus on PSE- the mental health and well-being of pupils as well as the Growth Mindset.  After asking pupils for their ideas about which topics they would like to study, we have decided to have an electricity theme for this half term. | |
| **Language, literacy and Communication**  We will be looking at:   * Stories/Novels – The Twits by Roald Dahl. As voted for by pupils. * Poetry – Electricity poems. * Fiction – The stone trolls (learning our model text, collecting interesting words that add description before writing our own stories) * Non-Fiction – posters.   You can help at home by:   * Ensuring that your child reads regularly. Please keep an up to date record with a comment that responds to the text. * Ensuring that your child has opportunities to read a variety of texts. * Discuss the book, looking at punctuation and choice of vocabulary. | **Mathematics and Numeracy**  For this term we will be concentrating on the revision of skills across the maths and numeracy curriculum:  Year 3  Place value  Addition and subtraction  Using bar models  Word problems  Multiplication and division  Year 4  Place value  Addition and subtraction  Word problems  Multiplication  Division  As part of our topic there will also be lessons based on:   * Time * Collecting data   You can help at home by ensuring your child learns their time tables and practices regularly. |
| **Humanities**   * Map work- looking at and labelling places in Wales. * Iceland- landscape features. | **Welsh**   * Revision of personal information/greetings * Dw i’n byw…, Dw i’n hoffi/ddim yn hoffi …… * Es i… * Y ffair. * Y parc. |
| **Expressive Arts/ICT and Media**   * Pointillism- landscapes and ourselves. * ICT- Pointillism on seesaw. * Green screen. * Research. * Perform poem/song. * Minecraft for Education. | **Science and Technology**   * Investigations. * Electrical circuits (wires, cell holders, batteries, bulbs, motors). * Complete/incomplete circuits. * |Conductors and insulators. * Electrical symbols. * Types of switches. * Making switches. * Make a lighthouse (Linked to ‘The Stone Trolls’). * How do we use electricity at school/around the home? * Know about hazards and risks. * Power sources. |
| **PE**  **Games outside**  PE Kit – black shorts, white T Shirt and trainers.  Please remember to come to school in your PE lit every Thursday.  We also do our Daily mile every day to encourage exercise every day. | **Health and Wellbeing**   * The dot (Peter H. Reynolds) – “Just make a mark and see where it takes you”. * Beautiful Oops (Barney Saltzberg)- “When you think you have made a mistake, think of it as an opportunity to make something beautiful!”loud. * Have you filled a bucket today (Carol Mc * Growth mindset. * Learning Powers. |
| **Dates for the Diary**  Homework will be given out on Seesaw on a Thursday and should be completed by the following Monday. Please use your home seesaw codes to access the homework (codes can be used on tablets, laptops and chrome books).  Diolch,  Miss Ellis | |