



Burton Joyce Primary

Spring 2 in Year 3/4

English



We will be reading the Greek myth 'Theseus and the Minotaur'. Once familiar with the story we will be creating our own playscripts focussing on present tense and prepositions for place. We will also be looking at instruction texts based around the model text 'How to slay a Minotaur' focussing on adverbials of time and subordinating conjunctions.

Science

Our science unit this half term is States of matter, where we will apply their previous knowledge to some new learning. We will begin the unit by grouping solids, liquids and gases based on their properties. Then we will investigate how materials change state when heated or cooled. Finally, observing how gas is made and what condensation is.

Look at our science knowledge organiser to find out more!



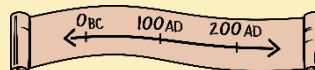
Welcome Back



We hope you all had a fabulous half term break! We are very much looking forward to the second part of Spring term as we have lots of exciting things planned- not only in Year 3/4 but also the many events we have planned across school.

History

In History, we will be exploring some of the influences the Ancient Greeks had upon us today including democracy, The Olympics, language, and architecture. We will explore similarities and differences between then and now and also make links to previous periods of History that we have studied.



Maths

Year 3 and 4 children continue to be taught in year groups for maths. This half term both Year 3 and 4 will be continuing their unit on length and perimeter before moving onto fractions. We will also continue to practice arithmetic and times tables skills weekly.



Computing

Our e-safety focus this half term will be digital wellbeing and ensure we monitor our screen time.

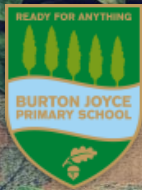
This half term we will be learning about sound engineering using the app GarageBand to record our playscripts created as part of our English work.



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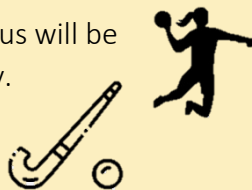
This half term we will be investigating circuits and torches. We will use of science Electricity knowledge to investigate, design, and make our own torches. Please save a cardboard loo roll or crisp tube.





PE

- PE will continue to be on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.
- This half term the focus will be dodgeball and hockey.



Spellings

Week 1 rule- 'au' make 'or' sound

Week 2 rule- ending in 'tion'

Week 3 rule- ending in 'ssion'

Week 4 rule- ending in 'cian'

Week 5 rule- adverbs of manner

Week 6 rule- challenge words



Music

We will be focusing on the Doot Doot song- this will involve comparing and contrasting different styles of acoustic music. We will look at chords and practice using tuned percussion. We will also be performing songs for our Easter concert at the Church.



RE

This term our unit is visiting and reviewing a local church. We will be learning why the church is a special place for Christians, why families choose to worship there and what features they might find inside and outside of the church. We will be going to explore the church to identify these features.

Finally understanding what Easter is and what happens during the Holy week.



PSHE



This half term's theme is 'Healthy me' children will be learning about healthy friendships, what peer pressure is and also looking at the effects of smoking and alcohol.

Dates to remember...

- Friday 1st March- Scitech competition deadline
- Thursday 7th March- World Book Day
- W/C 18th Match Science Week
- Thursday 21st March- Book Fair starts.
- Friday 22nd March World Water Day
- Tuesday 26th March-Easter assembly at church
- Thursday 28th March Easter activity day

Have a great
half term

