

English

In English we will be working on our spellings, SPaG, two days of writing and a day of reading comprehension. Our writing will be focused around Shakespeare's play Hamlet. We will be writing recounts, reports, discussion texts and poetry relating to the characters and action in the story.

Our spellings can now be found on the Purple Mash website www.purplemash.com.

Go to Home -> SPaG -> Spelling resources.

There is an interactive spelling quiz where children can practise their spellings and get immediate feedback. We have also given out paper copies of spelling packs for the half term where children can practise: look, cover, write, check. **Our spelling quiz is on Fridays.**

PE

Outdoor PE will change to Wednesdays with Miss Armstrong and Mr Garside from PESportsHub covering Kwik cricket. Please ensure your child has outdoor PE clothing. Year 3 will have a swimming lesson on Tuesdays mornings. This begins on Tuesday 24th April.

Purple Mash - Pupil Blogs

We will be encouraging children to make use of their own Purple Mash blog which is available on the [Purple Mash](http://www.purplemash.com) site under 'Sharing' - then click My Blogs.

This is a space for your child to keep a diary about their experiences outside of school. Their personal blogs are not viewable by anyone but them and their class teacher unless they would like to share it with the class.

Music

Children will continue to learn the ukulele with Mr Walker.

Summer 1 Shakespeare's Hamlet



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Parent Event

There will be two performances of our Shakespeare Show on Wednesday 23rd May at 2pm and 6pm. We will provide you with further information regarding tickets nearer the time.

History and Geography

We will be looking at Kings and Queens, identifying key leaders and their chronology. We will be examining geographic features, continuing to develop skills finding information from a range of media, maps and atlases.

Maths

We will be learning about:

- Addition and subtraction (including decimals)
- Missing number equations
- Multiplying and dividing by 10
- Word problems including fractions
- Finding equivalent fractions
- Interpreting data in bar charts
- Solve problems involving money and measuring
- Time; number of days in a month

Homework will continue to focus on problem solving. The Friday quiz will contain times tables and division facts.

Science

We will be looking at Forces: Friction and Magnets

- compare how things move on different surfaces notice that some forces need contact between 2 objects, but magnetic forces can act at a distance
- observe how magnets attract or repel each other and attract some materials and not others
- compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of whether they are attracted to a magnet, and identify some magnetic materials
- predict whether 2 magnets will attract or repel each other, depending on which poles are facing

French

Year 3 – learn to ask someone how old they are; learn how to say where you live and ask someone where they live; find out about Belfast, Cardiff and Edinburgh landmarks and learn how to talk about them in French.

Year 4 – understand which form of the definite article to use with nouns, e.g. *le furet*, *la coccinelle*, *l'araignée*; learn the subject pronouns *il* and *elle*, *ils* and *elles* and *sont*; revise all forms of the definite article; *le*, *la*, *l'*, *les*; participate in conversations about which animals I like using *j'aime* and *je n'aime pas...* and the negative adverb *ne...pas*.

