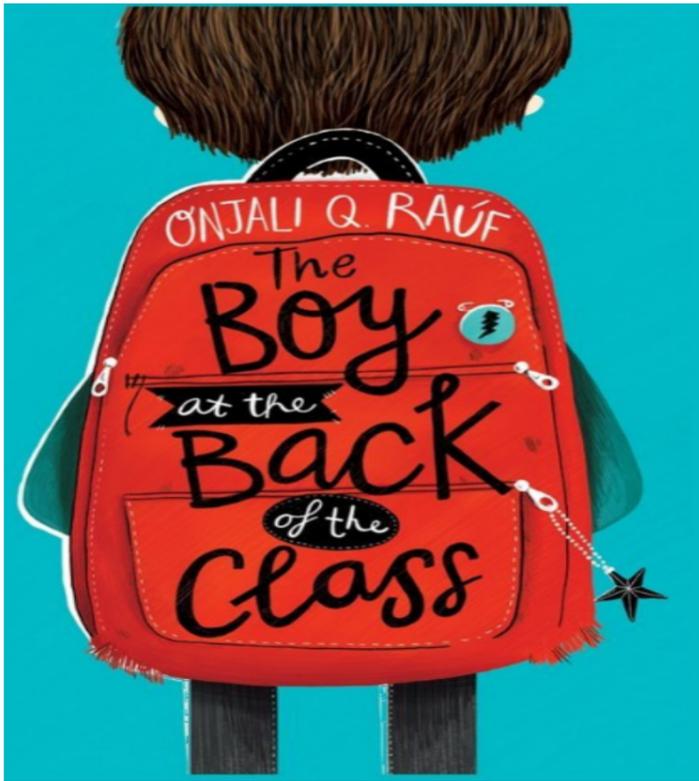


Year 4 – Spring 1 Learning Journey



Reading

This term we are reading the story 'The Boy at the Back of the Class'. The story follows a group of primary school children who befriend the new pupil in class named, Ahmet. Ahmet is a refugee from Syria, who attends a new school without being able to speak English.

We will be learning how to answer questions based on different texts using Destination Reader stems which include:

- Questioning,
- Inference,
- Predicting,
- Summarising,
- Evaluating,
- Making Links.



We will continue to visit the library weekly to encourage reading for pleasure and allow the children to have access to a range of books so they can continue their reading challenge.

Maths

Week 1: Number and Place Value

Week 2: Addition and Subtraction

Week 3: Multiplication and Division

Week 4: Fractions, Decimals and Percentages

Week 5: Fractions, Decimals and Percentages

Week 6: Geometry – Position and Direction

We will continue to practise our multiplication tables ahead of the Year 4 check in June.



Writing

Weeks 1-3 – We are going to be writing a diary entry from the perspective of a child in the class who wants to be friends with Ahmet.

Week 4 - 6 – We will be writing a short narrative based on the story.

We will be mostly focusing on punctuation, feelings, actions, adverbial phrases and sentence structures.



We will also be focusing on improving our handwriting, ensuring we are practising our cursive script.

PE

We will be working on our physical skills cog.

We will be working on our co-ordination through sending and receiving. We will be playing some fun games to practise these skills.



Science

This term we will be learning about electricity. We will find out which appliances use electricity and what type of power makes them work. We will learn about the components in a simple series circuit and investigate what happens when a circuit is opened and closed. We will be able to describe the effects of changing the components and batteries in a circuit.



Art & Design Technology

We will be applying our scientific understanding of electrical circuits to create a torch made from materials and objects.

We will be developing our art skills by creating an optical illusion, replicating a plate in the famous willow pattern and carve sculptures out of soap.



Geography

This term we will be studying rivers and the water cycle (physical geography) and investigate land use around a range of rivers in the UK (human geography). We will use maps and atlases to find and locate rivers and describe their features. We will learn what happens at each stage of the water cycle.



Music

We will be using descriptive vocabulary to create a Haiku, put it to music and finally add percussion sound effects to bring all elements together, before a final group performance.



Computing

We will be researching weather around the world. We will learn how to store data and use the green screen video to present our findings.



MFL

Throughout this term we will be learning adjectives for colours, shapes and sizes.



PSHE

In PSHE lessons we will be talking about personal safety. We will discuss ways to keep ourselves safe in a range of scenarios.



RE

In our RE lessons, we will be learning about Passover as well as the 8-fold path in Buddhism.



Important Dates

Assessment Week –
Reports to parents -