



**Leighfield**  
Primary School

Learning for Life

Year 4

# Autumn 2 Curriculum Booklet



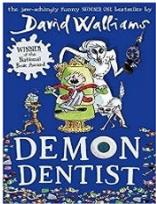
# English

## Writing

We are learning about explanation texts and non-chronological reports. Children will be writing their own linked to their science work. For example; explaining how to eat healthily or the functions of the different teeth.

## Reading

Our whole class novel will be 'The Demon Dentist'. We will read and improve our comprehension skills.



"When the new dentist, Miss Root, moves to his town, Alfie and a little girl called Gabz are the only ones who seem to notice the dentist's peculiar behaviour. What is Miss Root up to? And what will she do to poor, innocent Alfie and Gabz?"

## Grammar

We are learning about adverbs and adverbial phrases.

For example:

Time- when?	Manner- how?	Place- where?
Before dinner, In the morning, After a while,	With clumsy footsteps, As carefully as possibly, Shaking with terror,	In the park, In front of the fountain, Under the bridge,

## How can you support your child at home?

Daily reading of their reading book. Ask questions about the book at various points.

Read stories and talk about their differences and similarities.

Talk about the purpose of an explanation and why people write them and read them.

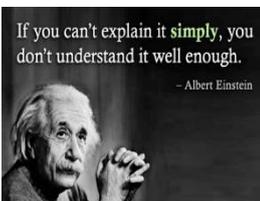
Read explanations together and talk about the information they have told you.

# Maths



This half term we are learning about multiplication and division.

Children will improve their mental maths skills.



## How can you support your child at home?

Sometimes written calculation methods that we use at school, are different to the ways in which you may be familiar with.

Ask your child to explain the methods that they have learnt to you, taking on the role of the teacher.

Pupils need to be fluent in their timestables to help them with more complex calculations. Lots of practise of multiplication facts and their related division facts is really important. By the end of Year 4, it is expected that children will know all of their times tables facts (up to 12 x 12).

## Science

We are learning about the teeth and the digestive system.



Children will:

- Learn about the different types of teeth.
- Explore how the digestive system works and what it does inside our bodies.
- Learn about the parts of the digestive system and their function.
- Develop our knowledge on what happens to food inside our bodies.

### How can you support your child at home?

These are excellent websites that will support your child at home:

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/science/living\\_things/teeth\\_eating/read/1/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/science/living_things/teeth_eating/read/1/)

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/education/topics/z27kng8>

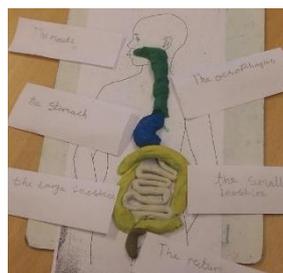
<https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/human-body/digestion/>

Discuss the importance of taking care and looking after our teeth.

Talk about the positive impact of eating healthy foods and having a balanced diet.

## Homework:

Make a model digestive system.



Due: 11<sup>th</sup> December  
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