

**This half term (Summer 1)**

**Year 4 will be learning about the following topics**

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| English |  In English we will be reading ‘Charlotte’s Web’. We will explore various spelling patterns including suffixes. We will consolidate our knowledge and use of the apostrophe. We will read stories from different cultures, identifying how we know. We will develop our writing skills by writing balanced and persuasive texts, supporting our topic and Science work. |
| This half term our targets will be* To revise various spelling patterns including suffixes ‘ion’ and ‘ly’ and words ending in ‘gue’ and ‘que’
* To identify the subordinate clause in a sentence
* To continue to develop use and understanding of apostrophes for contractions and possession
* Read stories from other cultures
* To write a balanced argument
* To write persuasive writing
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| Mathematics | In Maths this term we will be consolidating knowledge and understanding of place value and developing out understand of Roman numerals. We will use < and > symbols and solve calculations using negative numbers. We will build on our addition and subtraction knowledge by using the inverse to check answers. We will start to draw angles and identify nets of shapes. We will use formal methods for multiplication and division and problem solve using information from graphs. |
| This half term our targets will be:* Know what each digit represents and partitions into including millions
* Accurately add and subtraction accurately, checking with the inverse
* Compare, order, measure and start to draw angles
* Use formal methods to multiply and divide 2 and 3 digit numbers by 1 digit and interpret remainders appropriately as integers
* Solve problems using information presented on a variety of graphs
* Investigate and solve number puzzles, recognise patterns, generalise and predict
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| Science | This term our theme is ‘Healthy Lifestyles’. We will explore the effects on the human body of tobacco, alcohol and other drugs, and how these relate to their personal health. We will also learn the importance of exercise for good health. |
| Computing | Our topic is ‘We are Meteorologists’. We will describe, measure and record the weather using different software. |
| Geography | We will be looking at ‘Europe’, which countries make up this continent, their capital cities, similarities and differences, customs and traditions. |
| Design & Technology | We will be making pizza this half term. This will involve food preparation using a recipe to measure and mix ingredients. The children will use a range of techniques. This will support our work in Science. |
| P.E. | P.E. on Wednesdays this term will be Athletics. On Thursdays we will be doing Tennis. We will learn the skills and tactics of the game as well as developing team work skills. |
| Music | Working with Mrs Cooper, we will be learning about instruments and the orchestra. |
| R.E. | Working with Mrs Oldham we will be learning about ‘Following a Christian Way of life’. The children will focus on how Christians lead their life and how they worship Jesus.  |
| P.S.H.E. and Citizenship | The theme for this half term is ‘Changes’. We will explore what it feels like to belong to a group, unwanted changes and feelings brought on by change.  |
| French | Our topic ‘Les Quatre Amis’. This will involve reading and understanding a short story and then constructing simple sentences in French. |

Homework, usually Maths, English, spelling and multiplication tables will be given out on a Friday to be handed in by the following **Wednesday**. Please read with your child regularly and record this in their reading record as it is part of their weekly homework. Times tables and spelling test take place every Friday.

The outdoor games lessons are on **Wednesdays**. An outdoor kit is needed for these lessons. Please ensure that your child has something suitable for all weather. Indoor P.E. lessons are on **Thursdays. Children who have earrings are asked to remove them and leave them at home on P.E. days or remove them and keep them safe themselves at school. If ears have been pierced recently the children are responsible covering their own earrings with tape.**

Please can you also ensure your child has the correct equipment required for school. Your child will need a blue fibre tip pen with spares, pencil, sharpener, ruler and eraser. They also require a named water bottle.

 If you have any concerns please don’t hesitate to come and see me.

Thank you for your support and co-operation.

 Mrs Simon