



Year 4 Curriculum Overview - Spring 1 2024

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>English</u></p> <p>Pupils will read the story of The Princess and the Peas by a range of authors including Rachel Isadora, Mini Grey, Lauren Child and the classic version by Hans Christian Anderson. They will retell this story, learning how to maintain and monitor the interest of the listener with their reading and performing skills. They will discuss and compare the different authors' styles and writing techniques. They will learn how to adopt a style of a particular author and write in a similar style by adopting a similar structure, vocabulary and grammar to that of their chosen author. They will also learn how to identify and use pronouns including for cohesion and to understand how to use the present perfect form in contrast to the past tense.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Maths</u></p> <p>Pupils will continue to build upon the knowledge and skills acquired in autumn by deepening their understanding of multiplication and division. They will be applying their knowledge to problem solving. Pupils will also be learning the written method to multiply 2-and 3-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers. They will extend their understanding to solve correspondence problems too. This half term children will develop their understanding of length and perimeter while exploring quadrilaterals and rectilinear shapes. They will revisit fractions; develop their accuracy in counting in tenths and hundredths as well as identifying equivalent fractions and compare fractions. They will also recognise fractions greater than 1.</p>
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Guided Reading texts - The Beasts of Clawstone Castle by Eva Ibboston and Cosmic by Frank Cottrell-Boyce

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Science</u></p> <p>This half term pupils will be exploring what light is and where it comes from? They will be looking at different uses of light, experiment with shadow theatre, observing what happens when light goes through convex, concave lenses. Pupils will be finding out what reflection and refraction is and how we can use them. They will explore sight and where the different the colours we can see come from.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Humanities - History</u></p> <p>Pupils will find out about the importance of Anglo-Saxons in British history. They will learn about their life, their houses, jobs and food as well as their beliefs. They will explore the 7-kingdoms of the Anglo Saxon heptarchy and how the balance of power between them shifted over the course of Anglo-Saxon rule. They will also find out why king Alfred was 'the Great' and how he dealt with the new threat of Viking invaders.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Art and Design</u></p> <p>Pupils will explore the way different materials can be shaped and joined. They will learn about techniques used by Barbara Hepworth and Sokari Douglas-Camp. They will create their own sculptures out of a range of materials as well as looking at carving, constructing and modelling their ideas.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Computing</u></p> <p>Children will be learning about website design. They will be exploring tools such as Google Sites and learning how to create their own web page.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Music</u></p> <p>This half term, the pupils' musical journey will continue by looking at developing the pulse and groove of their music through improvisation. The overarching social theme is how music improves the world. They will learn three different songs from varied genres. 4B will spend the half term focussing on their Anglo-Saxon songs ahead of their assembly.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>RE</u></p> <p>Pupils will learn about the teachings of Buddha and explore how he taught about change. They will analyse how the world is seen by different people in and discuss why compassion is such an important life skill to have. In addition to this, they will look at how selfishness and greed can be stopped to make the World better.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>PE</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Dance and Basketball</u></p> <p>Pupils will spend both of their PE lessons developing various skills; from teamwork and tactics to balance and control. Outdoors they will focus on learning to play Handball and mastering the various skills that come with it. They will also enter the world of dance for their indoor session.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>PSHE</u></p> <p>The pupils will be covering a range of topics related to safety and growing up. They will explore how to stay safe online as well as in person with lessons on first aid and asthma. They will also learn about growing older and some of the changes that come with it.</p>

Assemblies: Children will learn about the value of **honesty** this half term through our assemblies. They will also learn about the significance of The Chinese New Year and how to be safe on the internet. Classes 5A, 5B and 4B will be performing their class assemblies to parents and their peers during this half term.