



## Year 4 Curriculum Overview Autumn Term 2

### English

Pupils will be entering the world of dragons this half term by exploring 'How to Train Your Dragon' by Cressida Cowell. They will read the hilarious book exploring plot, character, setting and style.

The grammar focus will be pronouns, dialogue punctuation and adverbials.

The children will explore different inventors and write their own biographies about them.

Nearer to Christmas, pupils will read, perform and write their own Haiku poems.

### Maths

The four operations will still be the main focus for this half term.

We continue with our weekly arithmetic sessions, including areas such as column addition and subtraction which we have completed in Autumn 1.

They will then recap perimeter before looking at area of rectilinear shapes. For the rest of the half term, the children will be multiplying and dividing. The times table focus in lessons will be 6, 7, 9 11 and 12.

Guided reading texts - Charlotte's Web by E.B White/A Series of Unfortunate Events by L.Snicket

### Science **ROCK CYCLE**

The children will be finding out about the different types of rocks, their occurrence in the rock cycle, their formation and their characteristics.

They will also be able to understand and explain the different weathering processes and how fossils are formed.

### Humanities **RIVERS**

Pupils will be looking at a geography unit in humanities. They will learn about erosion, transportation and deposition. They will also explore where rivers are, how they shape the land, what landforms they can create, why they are important to us and how different weather conditions affect lives.

### Design and Technology

This half term, pupils will be looking at structures through their work to create a free-standing pavilion. They will produce free-standing frame and structures of different shapes and sizes.

They will design a pavilion that is strong, stable and aesthetically pleasing; selecting appropriate materials and construction techniques along the way. Finally, they will select an appropriate material to act as cladding for their completed pavilion.

### Computing

Pupils will explore coding through further use of the programme Scratch. They will use new coding blocks such as 'variable' to aid them in creating a quiz.

### French

#### **Quelle est la date?**

The children will be learning vocabulary related to the date. This will include months and days of the week. They will ask an answer questions such as, Quelle est la date?

### Music

This half term the children will explore how music makes us feel and how music can connect people with their past. The children will look at three different songs including the well-known song 'Scarborough Fair'. Pupils will do a mixture of listening, singing, performing and composing.

### RE

Pupils will learn about what the most significant part of the Nativity story for Christians is. They will discuss if sacred texts have to be 'true' to help people understand religion and will ask the question "Can the arts help to communicate religious beliefs?"

### PE

During outdoor PE, the children will be focussing on basketball and learning the principles of attack and defence through this high paced game.

During indoor PE, the children will be focussing on gymnastics. Using shapes and balances to create a routine themed around bridges.

### PSHE

There will be a health and wellbeing focus in this half term. The children will look at keeping their teeth healthy. They will also look at how visualisations can help with relaxing and how children can grow from making mistakes.

Assembly Themes: Children will focus on the value of **kindness** for this half term. They will also learn about the significance of Bonfire Night and Remembrance Day and the religious festivals of Advent and Diwali. We will be supporting National Anti-bullying week and Children in Need.