

Year 4 Curriculum Overview Summer Term 2

English

In their final half term, the children will be learning wonderful stories from other cultures like the Maori exploring stories such as "Whale Rider" and the legend of Paikea. They will bring together all the writing skills they have learned over the year to write their own Maori themed narrative. Also, they will be exploring recounts using biographies, learning about the life stories of inspirational people who have overcome adversity, such as Rosa Parks.

Maths

This half term pupils will continue looking at statistics; collecting, organising and showing data in charts, tables and on a graph. Pupils will show their understanding by reading and recording information. They will also deepen their understanding of shapes. They will be comparing, ordering and estimating angles, classifying triangles and quadrilaterals, identifying symmetry lines. They will explore geometry further by describing the position of points on a grid as well as describing movement on the grid.

Guided reading texts- Cosmic by Frank Cottrell-Boyce and The Firework makers daughter by Phillip Pullman.

Science

This half term the children will be looking animal classification and habitat loss. Children explore different ways living things can be grouped and make classification keys. They study ways that habitats may change over time and understand that humans can have both positive and negative effects on their surroundings. This will involve exploring the difference between vertebrates and invertebrates as well as investigating how climate change and pollution affect the natural world.

Humanities - Geography

This half term pupils will learn about natural resources; what they are, where they can be found and how we are using them. The children will learn about the changing of the world's population and its effect on the use of natural resources. They'll be studying the shape and geography of Chile and the impact of its main natural resource, copper, with particular attention on why their mining is dangerous and how using mines may cause problems. Alongside Chile, they will also be finding out about natural resources in the UK.

Art and Design

The children will be completing a textiles based unit this half term focussing on fastenings. They will explore the features, benefits and disadvantages of a range of fastening types. When designing their own pencil case, they will look at the design criteria, make a template and then use a range of stitches to assemble their product. After they have finished sewing, they will evaluate their product against their design criteria ensuring they have looked at what went well but also looking at what they would do differently if doing it again.

Computing

In this computing unit the children will look at Data Handling. They will use various methods including google sheets to present data on the weather.

French

The children will spend this half term looking at clothing. They will use the verb 'je porte' to describe what clothes they are wearing. As usual, they will learn the grammatical side of new nouns including the determiners required for them.

<u>Music</u>

The theme for his half term is looking at how music connects people to the environment.

The children will explore how music is a very natural aspect of humanity.

In addition to this, they will learn about instruments coming from natural resources and that throughout the ages, musicians and music have been inspired by natural sounds around the world.

RE

The key question in RE this term is looking at whether people need to go to church to prove they are Christians. Within this question, they will look at where other faiths worship and what prayer looks like to them. The children will also learn about symbols in Christianity, the Christian holy book and the main beliefs held by Christians. They will listen and learn stories from the Bible and discuss their meaning and message of the content and characters.

<u>PE</u> In PE this half term, pupils

will focus, rounders and

athletics practise for sports'
day.
The focus of learning in
rounders is to develop the
concept of batting and
fielding to ensure that pupils
have a clear understanding of
each role.
In athletics we will explore
different field events such as
shotput and nerf javelin as

well as races over various

distances.

<u>PSHE</u>

This half term we will be looking at the transition into Year 5. We will be reflecting on our achievements from Year 4 and exploring goals that we will work towards in Year 5. The children will also consider the extra responsibilities that come with moving into UKS2 and the positions of increased responsibility that become available such as play and digital leads.

Assembly Themes

Children will learn about **growth** this half term and will be reflecting on the academic year as it draws to a close. They will also learn about the significance of Eid-Al Adha for Muslims and the work of the NSPCC. We will also be celebrating Pride Month in June where the children will focus on acceptance, equality and celebrating the work of LGBTQ+ people.

