

Music



This term the children will be taking part in singing and learning all about rhythm.

They will get to demonstrate their skills using a range of different instruments.

PE



This term we will be learning to play netball, learning about the rules and improving our hand-eye coordination and teamwork. They will also be doing Gymnastics.

PE days:

Tuesday – indoor and outdoor kit (trainers would be better if we are on the grass.)

Wednesday – indoor and outdoor kit (trainers would be better if we are on the grass.)

Art / Design & Technology



Our art focus for this half term is drawing and refining our skills of observation, sketching and linear marks. We will work independently as well as creating group artwork. We will learn how to use natural resources found in our local environment to support our work and will study a notable artist from history, comparing their work to that of a modern day artist.

What can you do to help?

- Homework will be sent out each **Wednesday** to be returned to school by the following **Monday**. Any child consistently not returning homework will be given the opportunity to complete this during school time. Homework tasks will be English or Maths based.
- Please read with your child regularly. Ask questions about the book they have read to check their understanding and aim to make a comment in their reading record book 5 times per week.
- Send your child's reading book in with them every day.
- Mental maths tests will be every Thursday.
- Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school as discussed above;
- Please check www.school360.co.uk and the school website regularly for updates/photos.
- Water bottles (**full, water only**) should be sent to school on a daily basis.
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Curriculum Information

Year 4
Autumn Term 1

All Around the World!

Literacy



The children will be learning about fables this half term having a go at writing their own. We will use Aesop's fables as a basis for drama, and developing the children's ideas for their own stories.

We shall also be looking at and appreciating poetry, creating images and developing descriptive language.

Throughout the term we shall continue to look at developing our use of vocabulary, punctuation and grammar.

ICT



In ICT we will be focusing on staying safe when using a variety of different technologies.

We will use software to develop our word processing skills and also to do research and present information about our Geography topic.

Geography



This term our topic is 'All Around the World!' We will be learning to name, identify and label the continents, Oceans and Countries of the World, especially those in Europe. The children will independently research a country of their choice.

We will also learn about using atlases, including features such as lines of latitude and longitude, and time zones across the world. We will also look at grid references, symbols and keys to build our knowledge of the UK and the wider world.

Science



This half term we will be looking at the wildlife and the environment as part of our Living Things and their Habitats topic. We will use a range of methods to group and classify living things, and create classification keys to help us identify different animals. We will look at the differences between vertebrates and invertebrates, and go on an invertebrate hunt in the school grounds.

We will carry out scientific enquiries including an examination of the impact of manmade changes on the local environment.

Numeracy



This half term we will be thinking about strategies to solve counting, partitioning and calculating problems involving place value and ordering 4 digit numbers.

We will also be looking at securing number facts and understanding properties of shape to include 2D and 3D drawings.

We will also be investigating and developing our understanding of handling data and measurements to include graph work, scale-reading and estimating, comparing and calculating different measures.

RE / PSHCE



This half term in RE we will be learning all about Christianity and "The Big Freeze". We will be thinking about - What Christians learn from the Creation story? What is it like to follow God?

In PSHE we will be looking at - Difference and diversity of people living in the UK.

How can we be a good friend?

Recognise wider range of feelings in others; responding to feelings; strategies to resolve disputes; negotiation and compromise; resolving differences.