English

This half term, the children will be reading 'Arthur and the Colden Rope By Joe Todd-Stanton'. Within this unit, the children will be writing persuasive letters, diary entries, mythical Nordic stories and a newspaper article.

Throughout the four genres, Year 4 will be revisiting many English skills: fronted adverbials, inverted commas, pronouns and possessive pronouns, subordinate clauses and the present perfect tense.



Science



In Science, our topic will be 'Sound'. We will learn how sounds are created and how sounds travel so that they can be heard. We will also look at different parts of the ear and how these enable us to hear a variety of sounds. We will also create our own instruments and measure their sounds on a decibel meter.

Art

In Art this half term, we will be focusing on the skill of collaging and sewing through looking at the artwork of Sylvia Paul who used collage and sewing in her work to create a landscape of a city, house, housing estate and of flowers. Children will then produce their own piece of artwork using these skills in the style of this artist.

Maths

Maths will begin with a heavy focus on multiplication including factors, division facts and written methods. We will then move onto measurements, looking at measuring in metres and kilometres, measuring perimeter and looking at polygons and rectilinear shapes. We will finish this half term looking at understanding whole numbers and mixed numbers, which will lead us into mixing numbers and creating improper fractions.

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In PE this half term, we will be focusing on gymnastics and netball. Netball will be ran by the Game On coaches and will look at team/ball sports. Gymnastics will focus on balances, jumps and rolls, using apparatus and mats, ensuring we land carefully,

History - Vikings

The children will be following learning about the Vikings. In this unit, the children will be:

Understanding why the Vikings came to Britain.

Exploring the power struggle between the Anglo-Saxons and the Vikings

Identifying Viking artefacts.

Understand who Alfred the Great was.

Sequencing events from the Viking period.

Exploring the effect of Viking life on modern Britain.

PSHCE

Our topic this half term is 'Dreams and Goals'. We will be looking at how we can put steps in place to achieve our aspirations and to be resilient when we face set backs in the pursuit of our dreams.

RE

In RE, we will be looking at the question 'What or who is God and how is the divine understood in theistic worldviews?' We will be looking specifically at what Christians believe about God and the Holy Trinity.

Music

We will be continuing with recorder lessons on alternate weeks and the weeks in the classroom will focus on understanding what an introduction is and recalling some memorable ones by ear and understanding how the number of singers affects the texture of a piece of music.

Spanish

In Spanish, we will learn the names of different family members and give personal information about them such as name and age. We will then learn the names of face parts and adjectives to describe appearance. We will use this language to then produce our very own alien and written description of it in Spanish.

Computing

In Computing this half term, we will be focusing on programming. This will involve understanding the importance of accuracy, creating a program in text-based language, decomposing a task into smaller steps and creating a count-controlled loop to produce a given outcome.

