

## ENGLISH

In Literacy, we will be using the classic novel "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe" written by C.S. Lewis as our stimulus.

We will be working towards writing a complete narrative by the end of the half term, with smaller written pieces such as character and setting descriptions being completed along the way. This will be the children's chance to use their imagination to create settings, characters and plot lines in order to create their own story.

During reading, we will be focusing on the novel "The Last Firefox" by Lee Newbery. Following our extract work last term, the children will now be able to practise their developing reading skills within a continuous context of a novel. As always, our aim within Year Four is to develop pupils' ability to read fluently, which will allow them to articulate their understanding of what they have read, both verbally and in written form, when answering questions.

Reading at home is a crucial part of your child's learning and we encourage pupils to read as often as possible and to read a wide range of material, not just their school reading book.

## Science

During our science sessions this half term, we will be continuing our learning within Living things and their habitats. We will be exploring classification keys and how these are used by scientists to group living things. We will also look at how habitats are being changed by the actions of humans and the impact that this is having on our planet's living things.

## History

We will be focusing on the Stuarts for the whole of the Summer Term. This will begin by exploring James I and how he came to be the King of the England and the first Stuart monarch, as well as the changes he made, which we can still see today. Following this, we will understand about Charles I and the decisions he made, which ultimately caused the English Civil War and the following years without a monarch.

# Year 4 Summer One

## SUSTAINABILITY

### RE

Following on from our learning about Christianity last half term, we will continue learning about this religion by focusing on the question, "What kind of world did Jesus want?"

Pupils will learn about the concept of 'Gospel' which tells the story of the life and teaching of Jesus. They will learn about the calling of the first disciples and how Christians today try and follow Jesus.

### Art

This term, we will be exploring sustainability through our artwork, creating a final piece showing two very different worlds. This will allow us to develop our sketching skills, before moving on to explore the use of colour and different paint types which can be used in our artwork.

## MATHS

During this half term, we will explore geometry within Year 4. This will involve understanding and using coordinates to identify and plot points and shapes on a grid, before using coordinates to translate points and shapes from one place on the grid to another.

We will also recap our knowledge of 2D shapes, especially that of quadrilaterals and other regular polygons before focusing on the symmetry within them and how we can identify lines of symmetry.

As you know, times tables are a crucial part of the Year 4 curriculum. By the end of Year 4, children should be able to recall all multiplication and division facts up to  $12 \times 12$ . Pupils will be formally assessed on these in June. We will continue to practise our times tables daily and this half term, we will be sending out additional activities for pupils to complete at home. Please encourage your child to engage with these and with Sumdog online as there are always challenges to complete!

## GENERAL INFORMATION

- PE is on a **Thursday**. This will mostly be outside so joggers and jumpers should be brought. Children must bring plasters to cover any **stud** earrings if they cannot be removed.
- As the weather will start to become warmer, please ensure your child brings a filled water bottle to school. Bottles should only be filled with plain water.
- Please ensure school shoes are completely black. If trainers are worn, all part of the trainer should be black including sole and any logos.
- Pupils will continue to bring their yellow spelling book home on a **Monday** which will need to be returned on a **Friday**.
- On **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June**, Year 4 will be going on a trip to Danum Museum to take part in the Time Odyssey experience. Further details will be shared with you this half term.