



Medium Term Planning

Year 4

Autumn 2023 Second Half Term



English	Mathematics
We will begin this term focusing on learning how to write a wishing tale. This will use a range of narrative features and allow children the opportunity to further explore descriptive language and techniques. Our non-fiction unit will focus on writing a set of instructions and will be a fantastic unit to use in a cross curricular approach.	Year 4 will begin by learning about a range of measurements, focusing on length and distance. This will encompass equivalent values, adding and subtracting and finding the perimeter. We will then focus on methods of multiplication and division, strengthening our understanding of the times tables.
Art & Design	Computing
Year 4 will learn how to create a collage and produce a range of pieces which show personal expression and style. We will explore the works of Henri Matisse and imitate his techniques to create our own artwork.	We will use a range of digital devices, including iPads, to select and use a variety of software. We will explore the Scratch programme to further our understanding of coding and programming.
Design & Technology	Geography
Year 4 will be visiting the cookery room again at the beginning of this half term. We will develop our confidence of reading and following a recipe. We will also adapt a recipe by adding extra ingredients. During the spring term, Year 4 will use their science learning from this half term to create a functioning torch.	This half term Year 4 will be engaging with the topic of rivers and mountains. We will start this topic by exploring mountains and rivers in the UK and developing our knowledge of the key physical and human geographical features of these locations. We will then expand and explore applying this knowledge to worldwide locations.
History	Music
Next half term, we will focus on learning about the Vikings and be able to place them chronologically on a timeline. We will use a range of resources, including pictures, artefacts and terminology to decipher who they were. We will debate why sources might contradict each other.	This half term Year 4 will continue their recorder lessons with Charlotte. During these lessons we will develop our knowledge of notation and key music terminology. We will also continue to develop our confidence, accuracy and control whilst playing the recorder.
Personal Social Health & Economics Education (PSHE)	Physical Education (PE)
Our topic for this half term is all about health and wellbeing. We will explore the importance of leading a healthy lifestyle through the consumption of a balanced diet and exercise. We will also discuss and explore the importance of helping others, feeling a sense of belonging and problem solving.	Year 4 are very excited about going swimming and learning all about water safety. They will learn a range of strokes and build on their stamina and amount of distance they can cover. We will also be engaging in gymnastics sessions, which will focus on creating balances and routines.
Religious Education (RE)	Science
In RE this half term, we will engage with scriptures originating from the Hindu, Buddhist and Sikh religions. We will explore the role that religious scriptures have in some people's lives, compare and make links between different religious scriptures and explore the connection between religious beliefs and practices.	Our unit this half term is electricity. We will investigate common appliances and learn about conductors and insulators. We will deep dive into electrical circuits and explore cells, wires, bulbs, switches and buzzers.
In KS2 we learn French in our Modern Foreign Languages Curriculum (MFL)	
Children will continue to learn a range of vocabulary associated with school life, such as items in a pencil case. They will practise their verbal skills, reading skills and be able to write some words and phrases.	