



## Year 4 Curriculum Newsletter

### Spring 2<sup>nd</sup> Half Term

This half term in Year 4, children will be exploring a wide range of topics, from the Ancient Romans in history to Haiku in music. They will draw on their prior knowledge to deepen understanding and make meaningful links across the curriculum.

<b><u>MATHS</u></b>  This half term, children will learn to add and subtract fractions, use fractions to solve problems, and understand tenths and hundredths as decimals, including how numbers change when divided by 10 and 100.	<b><u>ENGLISH</u></b>  This half term, children, children will read “The Society of the Distinguished Lemmings” to explore PSHE themes and create a non-chronological report about their own group of creatures.
<b><u>SCIENCE</u></b>  In Science this half term, children will explore sound, learning how sound waves travel, how volume is measured, how pitch and loudness change, and how sound can be reduced using sound insulation.	<b><u>COMPUTING</u></b>  In Computing this half term, children will learn about data logging, exploring how and why data is collected over time and using data loggers to carry out a simple investigation.
<b><u>HISTORY</u></b>  This half term, children will learn how the Romans shaped Britain and explore their lasting impact on the country today.	<b><u>GEOGRAPHY</u></b>  This half term, children will learn about rainforests, their climate, layers, importance, deforestation, and how they compare to the UK.
<b><u>MUSIC</u></b>  This half term, children will create and perform music inspired by haiku, using instruments and sounds to express ideas together.	<b><u>PHYSICAL EDUCATION</u></b>  This half term, children will develop physical and dance skills as well as developing their swimming skills and safety in water.
<b><u>ART / DT</u></b>  This half term, children will mix tints and shades in Art and design, and make and evaluate working torches in DT.	<b><u>R.E</u></b>  This half term, children will explore Why Christians call the day Jesus died ‘Good Friday’ and learn about the concept of salvation.
<b><u>MESSAGES AND REMINDERS</u></b>  Homework will run from Friday to Friday and will include 30 minutes of reading plus, Magma maths tasks, and reading with an adult at least three times a week. Please ensure these reading sessions are recorded in your child’s diary. Spellings will be given out every Monday on EDshed, with a spelling test on Friday, so regular practice at home is encouraged.  PE for Year 4 takes place on Monday and Friday. Children should come to school wearing their PE uniform, ensuring it follows the school’s PE uniform guidelines. Swimming is on a Friday so children need to bring their swimming kits with them to school.  Please ensure that children regularly practice their times tables, as they will be tested on them at the end of the year in the official MTC assessment.	