



Year 4 Newsletter

Summer Term

What we will be learning this term:

English – We will begin the term by writing a narrative inspired by *The Lion and The Unicorn*, with a strong focus on continuing to develop our year 4 writing skills. Then we will move on to writing a non-fiction report based on the story of *The Matchbox Diary*, which will expand our understanding of immigration the turn of the century. Later in the term, children will write their own poems inspired by *Who has seen the wind*.

Reading – Throughout the term, we will focus on building fluency and comprehension skills. Class texts will include *The Journey*, *The Iron man* and *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe*.

Mathematics – Children will develop their understanding of fractions and decimals. We will also learn how to find area and perimeter, solve measure and money problems, and explore shape and symmetry. We will also develop our understanding of position and direction, recognise patterns and sequences, and learn about 3-D shapes we see in everyday life.

Science – We will begin by learning about states of matter, the properties of solids, liquids and gases. We will then learn that sounds are made by vibrations, with bigger vibrations creating louder sounds, smaller ones making quieter sounds, sounds fading over distance, and that pitch can be changed.

Art – We will study water colour exploring the work of JMW Turner. Then we will be recreating elements of his style to create a land/ sea scape.

Design and Technology – We will be making mechanical system cars using pneumatic systems. We will also be looking at textiles and fastenings.

History – Our history topic will continue looking at the impact of the Victorian era on today's education system and comparing this to the Ancient Greek civilisation. Then we will go onto looking at the Olympics which originated in Ancient Greece and compare that to modern athletics.

Geography – We will explore the lake District and its surroundings.

PSHE – Lessons will focus on personal safety, maintaining health and wellbeing, and understanding body changes.

RE – We will learn about Buddhism, focusing on the concept of peace, and will also

Computing – We will be learning how to edit photos using photoshop to use the skills duplicating, adding and removing objects from our pictures.

PE – Our sports coaches will be teaching us the skills involved in gymnastics and general fitness.

Music – We will learn what samba music is, play syncopated rhythms on percussion instruments, and perform in time with their group with growing confidence.

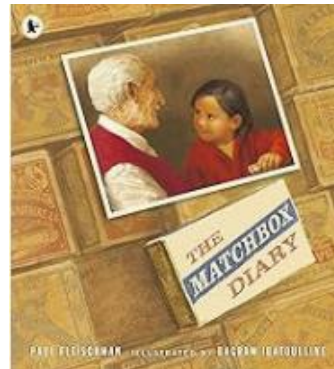
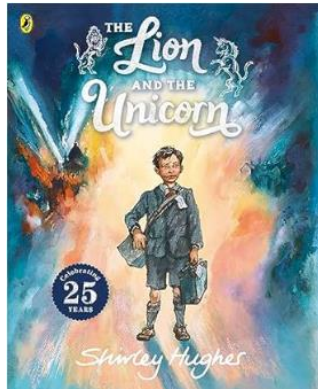
Spanish – We will be continuing to learn how to talk about ourselves for the topic 'Me Presento'. We will also learn to talk about our homes in the topic 'Me Casa'

TTRockstars – 5 times a week to learn their timetables

Emile – 5 times a week to learn their spellings

NESSY – 5 times a week (some children have this login)

Reading – Read 4 times a week



Key Dates

Things going on

Friday 22nd May – INSET

Monday 25th – 29th May – HALF TERM

Thursday 18th June – Sports Day

Friday 19th June - INSET

Wednesday 1st July – Transition Day

Wednesday 22nd July - Last Day of Year 5! Happy Summer Holiday

The Y4 times table checks will be at the beginning of June.