Year 4 Curriculum News

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What we are looking at:

As geographers we will be studying rivers and their journeys. We will look at rivers from around the world as well as those within the UK. We will use our map skills to identify and locate them on an atlas. We will then discuss the importance and impact of rivers. This half term as artists we will be exploring art and food and their relationship. We will be learning about different artists and using them to inspire our own food themed artwork. As scientists we will be studying sound. We will look at how sound is created, how it travels and how we can hear sound. We will learn about the different parts of the ear and how these help us to hear. In RE we will be answering the question 'Did Jesus really perform miracles?' We will be looking at different bible stories, modern day examples of miracles and assessing the religious impact of these. In PE we will be focusing on badminton and applying our physical skills to a variety of games. We will also start to develop our own abilities to create our own rules for different games/skills. In computing we will be looking at photo editing and how we can change pictures/photos to fulfil a specific purpose.

Maths

This half term, we will begin by looking at money. We will be recapping the value of coins/notes and how to add and subtract money. We will also look at solving problem related to money.

We will then move onto time. We will recap o'clock, half past and quarter to and past, before moving onto digital and analogue. We will then learn to convert between the two.

After time, we will look at shape. During this area of learning we will explore the properties of different shapes, especially triangles and look at how to solve problems surrounding shape.

There will continue to be a huge focus on times tables this half term so practising TTrockstars is crucial.

English

In English this half term we will begin by writing our second narrative of the year. We will be using the book Voices in the Park' to inspire us and help us create our narrative. We will be aiming to include everything that we have learnt so far, including inverted commas, a/an, expanded noun phrases and fronted adverbials. We will also be practising our informal writing by constructing an informal letter. This will be in direct comparison to the formal writing we have already done this year. In the final week we will be looking at free verse poetry, using our geography theme of rivers as inspiration.

Home Learning

Please continue to read with your child daily, and record what they have read in their home-school book. As well as listening to them read, please question your child about their understanding of the text. Continue to encourage your child to practise their weekly spellings. Homework will be set every Monday, and the deadline for completion will be the following Monday. As part of their math homework, children are expected to complete a minimum of **5 garage games** on **TTRockstars**. Please do encourage your child to practise their times tables regularly. For English homework, children will either be assigned grammar questions on **spag.com**, or will have a reading comprehension to

complete. Thank you for your continued support. The Year 4 Team.