

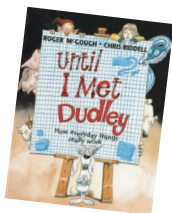
English



The focus for our reading and writing this half term will be based around winter themed

texts. We will explore a range of beautiful texts to collect high-quality description. We will also learn how to use fronted adverbials to add additional information and interest to our writing as well as how to engage the reader by using speech. We will learn how writers use techniques to develop suspense and practise these in our own chapters.

Later on in the term, we will look at explanation texts, exploring a wonderful book called 'Until I met Dudley'. The children will go on to produce their own explanation text about how they believe Santa's sleigh works.



P.E This half term is Hockey and Dance.

The children will need the following P.E. kit in school every day:

Coloured P.E. T-shirt

Black shorts

Trainers

Tracksuit bottoms and jumper

Spare socks—As we are out in all weather, please do provide your child with spare socks in case they need a change.



Home Learning will support the learning from the school week and will be stuck in children's books on a **Thursday or Friday morning**. Home learning will then be due in on the following **Wednesday**. Dates will be clearly labelled on the homework sheet.

Please do ensure we have all books in on a **Wednesday** so we can ensure your child has everything they need for the following week.

Reading continues to be an important part of your child's development in Year 4. Please encourage your child to read a little each day at home and ask them about what they have read. Please record three entries in your reading record a week. One signature can acknowledge them all.

Spellings for the week will be recorded in your child's spelling log. Please revise the weeks spelling rule as well as remembering to look over previous rules. Try not to learn just the words your child has recorded in their log, research new examples to check and see if they do understand the rule they have learnt. Can they apply it in sentences? Red words are also stuck in spelling logs, please continue to practise these at home and regularly review sets of words to support your child in learning these confidently.

Timetables Rockstars!

Use your Rockstars login to practise your tables. **Sound Check** is a great way to practise a mini quiz style assessment so you can see how you are getting on.



Year 4 Curriculum Information Leaflet Autumn 2



Year 4 Team

Mrs Bennett Mrs Dawson & Mrs Hunt

Dates for your diary:

Tues 18th & Thurs 20th November Parents Evening

Friday 7th November Lockyers Workshops 1pm

Friday 5th December Christmas Fayre

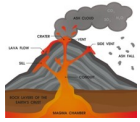
Friday 14th November Children in Need

Friday 12th December Christmas Jumper Day

Wednesday 17th December Christmas Performance (Evening)

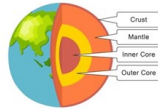
Thursday 18th December Christmas Performance (Morning)

Friday 19th December Party Day & End of term



Geography Mountains and Volcanoes

We will begin our geography learning by revising the make-up of planet Earth, looking at the crust and how it is made up of tectonic plates. We will use this knowledge to understand how mountains are formed and discuss the key features of mountains. Finally, towards the end of the half term, we will learn about volcanoes, exploring the different types of volcano and researching and gathering information together.



RE Throughout our RE sessions we will be exploring the key question 'Why do Christians believe Jesus came down to earth?' We will learn and discuss many of the different traditions that Christians celebrate at this time of year, understanding the meanings behind these.



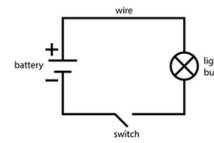
Music During our music sessions this half term we will be exploring a wide range of different music including genres such as Pop, Folk and Jazz. We will be exploring a key question 'How does music connect us with our past?'



DT

In our D.T. learning we will explore electric circuits.

We begin identifying battery powered objects and learn about the features, components, materials and functions of a range of battery powered products. We will investigate switches and make a simple circuit with batteries and a range of different types of switches, bulbs and buzzers. We conclude our learning with designing a product with a circuit.



Science

Our focus this half term will be States of Matter. We will start by comparing materials according to their state of matter before exploring how temperature affects different foods. The children will learn about the melting and boiling points of water and investigate the processes of evaporation and condensation, linking these to the water cycle.

SOLID



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Maths

This term we will be learning about:

- Formal written methods for column addition and subtraction
- Multiplication and division with a focus on remainders
- Timestables teaching focus



Jigsaw PSHE

This term we will 'Celebrate Difference'. We consider influences that can affect how we judge a person or situation. We discuss cyber bullying and what to do if we think bullying is taking place.

French

The French unit is titled 'Je Me Presente'. This unit revises all core language learnt in Year 3 and ensures children are able to take part and contribute in a conversation discussing their name, age and where they live.



Computing Journey Inside a Computer

We will explore the role of computer parts and create paper versions of computers to help us consolidate our understanding of how a computer works. We will identify similarities and differences between various models.

