



### Topic: 'Hold Back the River'

Our geography topic this term will be fieldwork based. We will be investigating how flood defences impact wildlife both locally and nationally. We will be learning fieldwork techniques to observe, measure, and record our findings



In **English**, we will be writing:

- A letter to a year 4 pupil
- A memorial speech linked to our class novel

We will be reading:

- Wonder by R.J Palacio



**Art:** *'Drawings from the seaside'* we will focus on observational drawing and mixed media collages inspired by the artist Joanne Wishart.

**Technology:** We will be gardening, planting and growing vegetables and developing our baking skills to make cakes and biscuits based on herbs grown in our garden

**Music:** The Lion King! A musical theatre focus, developing stage skills, confidence and expression to perform scenes from The Lion King.

**PE:** We will be focussing on developing our skills in strike and field games such as cricket and rounders

**Computing:** We will be creating avatars and games using the online program FlockXR.

**French:** We will be learning vocabulary based on 'going to the market'.

**RE:** We will have a focus on the beliefs of Christians and Humanists and understand what matters most in these faiths

**PSHE:** We will be looking at making choices as global citizens and exploring the ideas of biodiversity and sustainability

In **Maths**, we will be extending our knowledge of:

- Negative numbers
- Converting units
- Measurement of volume

In **Science**, we will continuing to learn about *'Living things and their habitats'*

- Exploring lifecycles of living things
- Describing the process of reproduction in some plants and animals
- Work scientifically to research the life cycles of other animals and compare them to humans

How can I support the curriculum at home?

The Northumberland Wildlife Trust has visitor centres at Northumberlandia and Druridge Bay and host some fantastic free family events based on nature, animals and biodiversity <https://www.nwt.org.uk/events>

You could also visit Ouseburn to see the flood defences, visit the community run farm and pop into Seven Stories, the National Centre for Children's books – which now has free entry.

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