# English and Reading

In English lessons we will be focussing on the book Leaf by Sandra Dieckmann. We will be using the text and illustrations to help us to plan and write our own narratives and information texts. We will make predictions about the text and back this up using evidence from what we have read. We will also focus on using paragraphs to organise our ideas

## Maths

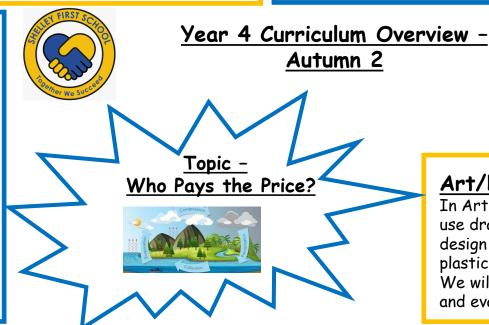
During maths lessons this half term, we will be focussing on multiplication and division and length and perimeter. We will be spending extra time daily focusing on multiplication and division to prepare the children for the multiplication ta check (MTC). This will be taken by all Year 4 children across the country in June 2025.

## **PSHE**

Our PSHE topic for this half term is 'Celebrating difference'. We will be learning about first impressions and how these can sometimes change. We will think about how we can accept people for who they are and how we can celebrate differences.

# Spelling, punctuation and grammar

We will build on our use of expanded noun phrases, fronted adverbials and use of apostrophes to indicate possession. We will also continue to send 5 spelling words for the children to learn at home each week. with a spelling quiz each Friday.



# Art/DT

In Art and DT, the children will use drawing techniques to design a product that reuses plastic to create a water filter. We will use research to inform and evaluate our designs.

# Geography

In geography we will find out about the features of rivers and the key components of the water cycle. We will discover how and why they are important to humans and wildlife. We will also think about ways to protect and conserve water resources.

### Science



In science we will be thinking about classification and changing environments. We will recognise that living things can be grouped in different ways and use classification keys. The children will recognise some environmental changes such as pollution. We will discuss how these can pose dangers to living things and what we can do to prevent them.





In RE we will be continuing to learn about the Jewish faith. We will think about what it means to be Jewish and how Jewish people try to live. During the lead up to Christmas, we will also be learning all about the Christmas story.

# PE

Our PE topic for this half term is gymnastics. Please ensure that full PE kit is in school on both Tuesdays and Fridays (including a pair of trainers).

The children will begin swimming lessons at Scissett Baths on Tuesdays from February 2025.