



# Year 4 CURRICULUM LETTER <u>Autumn 2 2025</u>

#### Staff:

4A- Mrs Hatton, Mrs Desai, Mrs Mastan

4B- Mr Chagas, Mrs Desai, Mrs Nanawatty

During PPA time, Junior Jam will cover the subject areas of PE, Spanish, Music and Computing. If you wish to contact any member of staff, please send a message via Dojo. Alternatively, you can contact the office to arrange a call back.

#### Key information:

PE-PE will be on Tuesday this half term. Children must have a full school PE kit on, including black pumps or trainers. On all other days, children must wear a full school uniform. Please see the link below for information about school uniforms.

https://st-matthewscofe.lancs.sch.uk/parents/uniform

Homework- we expect that all children read daily with an adult and learning their spellings and practise their times tables on TTRS. Homework will be put on Dojo each week.

Water bottles- please ensure that your child comes to school every day with a water bottle.

Reading books and diaries- must be brought to school every day.

## <u>English</u>

Our English this term will be based around a fairy tale called 'Rumaysa'. It is a Fairytale, which retells three classic fairytales — Rapunzel, Cinderella and Sleeping Beauty.

The children will learn about the structure and features of fairy tales and will use this to write their own fairytale. The next unit will look at newspaper reports and their structures and features. In grammar children will learn about fronted adverbials for





where, inverted commas, commas for clauses, pronouns and noun phrases. Children will continue to get weekly spellings which we expect them to practise at home on a daily basis.

#### Maths

In our Maths lessons we will be consolidating a variety of skills using an approach in which the children will learn and practise key skills before applying them into problem solving and reasoning. The following skills will be covered this half term:

- Calculate area of rectilinear shapes by counting squares
- To learn multiplication facts for 3, 6, 9, 12 times table
- To look at relationships between these multiplication facts
- To apply their knowledge of these multiplication facts to solve one and two step problems
- To continue to practise quick recall of all times tables

## Religious Education



In RE this half term, we will be looking at a Christmas unit in which we will explore the symbolism of 'light'. We will create poems, songs and drama during this unit. We will begin by looking at light from a Christian perspective followed by looking at the festival of Hanukkah, a Jewish

festival. The question we will be exploring is 'Why is Jesus called the light of the world?'

## Science

In Science this half term we will be looking at the topic "Living things and their Habitats" The children will be looking at recognising that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways. They will explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment. They will also recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things.

## <u>Geography</u>



In Geography the children will be studying earthquakes and volcanoes. They will learn about the structure of the earth, tectonic plates, the features of a volcano, where famous earthquakes and volcanoes have taken place and the effects on the human and physical geography of the areas.





## Personal, Social, Health Education



This half term children will be learning all about the brain. The unit will teach children all about the brain and give them an understanding of how they can look after their minds. They will learn about some of the key parts of the brain and understand what their basic functions are.

#### Junior Jam

**Spanish 4B** - The children will be able to match the numbers, colours, and animals to their written words, and learn to recognise and answer some question words. Children will gain an understanding of more phonemes and graphemes.



Spanish 4A- Children will learn how to say the time on the hour and minutes past the hour, applying their knowledge to talk about what time they have different school's subjects, whilst linking their previous learning of days of the week and months to discuss birthdays and dates.



**Music**- The children will be introduced to Ukuleles and the different playing techniques, such as plucking and strumming. They will learn to create different pitches using the instrument.

**Computing**— The children will learn how to understand each function and if they combine many of the functions, they can create a bigger, more powerful algorithm for many uses. They will learn about different types of functions and their role in an algorithm.

**PE**- This half term children will be learning all about dodgeball. Children will learn a range of transferable skills including tactics, target throwing and dodging.





#### **READING**

Please read with your child daily. It doesn't need to be the whole book, 5 to 10 minutes is sufficient. Please sign the reading diary, this lets the teacher know they have been heard at home. We encourage children to read and reread books to become fluent. Parents who support their child with reading at home make more accelerated progress at school.

There will be a charge of £10.00 for any lost or damaged reading books.

PLEASE BE AWARE THAT WE DO NOT ALLOW NUTS IN PACKED LUNCHES AS WE HAVE SEVERAL CHILDREN WITH SEVERE NUT ALLERGIES.