

English

This term the children will be reading: 'The Promise', 'Mysterious Traveller' and 'Romeo and Juliet'.

In our writing, we will be focussing on:

- Organising paragraphs around a theme,
- In narratives, creating settings, characters and plot,
- Proof-reading for spelling and punctuation errors
- Using fronted adverbials,
- Using inverted commas and other punctuation to indicate direct speech,
- Using a range of sentences with more than one clause,
- Using expanded noun phrases,
- Using apostrophes for possession,
- Using pronouns to avoid repetition.

They will take part in guided reading where they will work to develop their comprehension skills, focussing on:

- Developing positive attitudes to reading,
- Understanding what they read,
- Retrieving and recording information from non-fiction,
- Participating in discussion about books,

They will also develop their speaking and listening skills through a range of drama activities such as hot-seating and role-plays.

Important Dates

Tuesday 6th February – Safer Internet Day
Wednesday 7th February – Opening Evening
Friday 9th February – 4B Class Assembly
Friday 16th February – 4S Class Assembly
Friday 16th February – School Closes
Monday 26th February – INSET day
Tuesday 27th February – School Opens
Friday 2nd March – 4D Class Assembly
Friday 9th March – 4L Class Assembly
Friday 23rd March – Sports Relief
Tuesday 27th March – Parents Evening (3:30-5pm)
Wednesday 28th March – Parents Evening (5-6:30pm)
Thursday 29th March – School Closes

Art/D.T./Music

In Art we will be learning how to paint and sketch landscapes, using different techniques and learning about great artists.

In DT we will be researching, designing and making a London attraction.

In Music we will be learning how to play the recorder.

Science

Our Science topics will be will be:

- 1) 'Sound' where we will be learning all about how sounds travel and how to change the volume and pitch of sounds.
- 2) 'Teeth and Eating' where we will be learning about the basic parts of the digestive system in humans, the function of different types of teeth in humans and animals, understand what damages teeth and be able to explain what a simple food chain shows.

Computing

During the term, children will be learning about Computer Science and will be programming floor and on-screen robots and learning about algorithms and coding. They will also be using Microsoft PowerPoint where we will focus on how to create a lengthy presentation that moves from slide to slide and is aimed at a specific audience.

Maths

The children will learn to:

- Round numbers to the nearest 10, 100 and 1000.
- Count in multiples of 6, 7, 9, 25 and 1000.
- Use a formal method to multiply 2 and 3-digit numbers by a single digit.
- Add and subtract pairs of 4-digit numbers and decimal amounts of money.
- Develop their mental strategies for the 4 operations.
- Recognise and compare acute, right and obtuse angles.
- Sort 2D shapes according to their properties.
- Draw the other half of symmetrical shapes.
- Recognise, use, compare and order decimal numbers.
- Round decimal numbers to the nearest whole number.
- Multiply and divide numbers to get decimal numbers.
- Read, write and convert time including 24 hour and clock.
- Measure and calculate perimeters of rectilinear shapes.
- Solve problems involving converting units of measure.

The children will also complete weekly times-tables, mental maths and mental arithmetic tests to apply their mental strategies and written methods.



How you can help!

- Please listen to your child read and record a comment on their reading card each week. This will be sent home every Wednesday.
- Please help your child complete their learning log homework each week.
- Please help your child to practise their spellings.
- Please help your child to practise their times tables.
- Please encourage your child to learn the words from the Statutory Spelling list for Spring 1 and 2. These were sent out in the 'Welcome to Year 4' booklet which is available on the school website.
- Visit <https://ec1.educationcity.com/> for a wealth of 'at-home' learning, including games, printable resources and tests (log-in details have been sent home previously).

History/Geography

This term our topic is 'London' where we will be learning about:

- The names and locations of cities in the United Kingdom,
- Why London is the capital city,
- Why rivers are important,
- Why so many people live in London,
- The growth of London's population,
- Identifying natural and man-made features of Huddersfield and London,
- Comparing maps of Huddersfield and London,
- Creating a documentary about London.

P.E.

In swimming, the children will attend weekly lessons at Salendine Nook swimming pool where they will develop their swimming techniques and knowledge of water safety.

In indoor PE, the children will be performing dances using a range of movement patterns.

In outdoor PE, the children will be developing their running, throwing and catching skills in athletics.