

**Year 4 Autumn 1 Half Term 2024**

**Welcome to Year 4!**

 **Here is the outline of what you will be learning about this half term.**

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|  | **Theme: Where are we?** |
| **English** | We will be revising spellings and grammar from Year 3 and continuing to introduce new sentence types to improve our writing. We will start this year by reading the book ‘Until I met Dudley’ by Roger McGough and deciding if our household appliances, really do work the way we thought. Our next book will be ‘Varmints’ by Helen Ward, and we will be imagining ourselves as the characters. Then we will follow with the Mermaid of Zenor by Charles Causley and Michael Coleman. Our focus will be:* Full stops and capital letters
* Past and present tense
* Commas in lists
* Non-chronological reports
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| **Mathematics** | Our first White Rose Maths topic will be Place Value followed by addition and subtracting. These units will include:* The values of digits in columns
* Rounding to the nearest 10, 100, 1000
* Adding and subtracting 3 digit numbers including exchanging.
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| **Science** | In our topic “Animals Including Humans” we will learn about our digestive organs and the process of digestion and a rather icky experiment to show how our food travels around. We will also be learning about teeth and their role in the digestive process. |
| **Computing** | Our first topic is all about the internet, how we use it and how to stay safe online. |
| **Art** | We will be developing our sketching skills by:* Learning to observe
* Using scale and proportion
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|  **Geography** | This terms topic is all about the Amazon Rainforest. We will learn, who and what lives there. We will ask, what comes out of the Amazon Rainforest? We will learn about how endangered it is now from big companies clearing the land. |
| **RE** | In R.E this half term we are looking at The Hindu Faith and asking ‘How do people live their lives?’ |
| **PE** | In PE we will complete a gymnastics unit. We will further develop our skills in:* Balancing
* Rolling
* Shoulder stands
* Fish flops
* Combine skills to create a multi-level routine
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| **MUSIC** | This half term we have our introduction and first term of guitar lessons. These lessons will happen every year. ‘Mr Guitars’ is a specialist teacher who comes into school to teach the whole class. |