

## Curriculum Newsletter

Year 4 Autumn 2 2024

We are pleased to be able to share with you the curriculum content which your child will cover this term.

Please get in touch if you have any questions!

# English - Reading

This term, we are reading the novel: 'The Boy at the back of the Class'

In reading lessons, children will continue to develop their skills with retrieval and inference as well as learning how to work out the meaning of new vocabulary.



#### English - Writing

**Writing to inform:** We will write a newspaper report based on the Anglo- Saxon Invasion.

Writing to entertain – we will write a diary entry based on our class novel. (The Boy At The Back Of The Class)

Grammar

We will continue to build on and expand upon the children's knowledge of grammar, looking especially this term at:

- Inverted commas
- Fronted adverbials

## Spellings:

- 'sion', 'ssion', 'tian'and 'cian' suffix words.
- · Words with 'ough'
- Year 4 Statutory spelling words

#### **Mathematics**

This half term we will cover the following topics:

- Addition and Subtraction
- Measurement (Area)
- Multiplication and Division

Year 4 has a Multiplication test in the summer Term which tests speed and accuracy, please help the children to become confident with all times tables and their division facts

Our calculation policies can help you to understand the methods your child has been taught. You can find these in the Mathematics section of our school website.

#### Science

This half term we will cover the topic: Electricity We will be learning all about how the parts of a circuit help to power a light.

Talk to your child each week about what they have learned. BBC Bitesize has good videos and questions to support home learning. We will post an investigation on Google Classroom that you could try at home.

# Punjabi

Pupils will have a Punjabi lesson every week which is taught by a specialist teacher. Please help them to learn more by speaking, reading and Punjabi at home if possible.

# **Physical Education**

Swimming – Wednesday afternoons
Basketball / Gymnastics – Friday mornings

Please ensure that they have the correct kit with them every week.

#### Sikh Studies - The Guru Granth Sahib Ji

We will be learning the Ardas. (When and how it is performed). We will also be exploring the deeper meaning of the Ardas and how it provides Sikhs with guidance and advice.





# History - What was it like to live in a Saxon village?

We will be learning all about the Anglo-Saxons. We will learn about life in Anglo Saxon Britain and compare it to modern day and Roman life.

We will also use primary and secondary sources to gather information about the Anglo Saxon age.



# Religious Education – Why are festivals and high holy days important In Judaism?

We will be learning about the celebrations of Hannukah ad Pesach. We will use artefacts and extracts from the Torah to understand why and how these festivals are celebrated.

# Computing - Digital Literacy (How do we keep safe online?)

We will discuss key online safety 'rules', what may be unacceptable behaviour, and where to go/report if a problem arises. We will also create and share some information online demonstrating need to be respectful and safe.

### P.S.H.E.

The topics that we will cover this half term are:

- Anti-Bullying Cyber bullying
- Our society liberty and democracy.

We will also take part in Anti-Bullying week (W/C 11/11/24)

## Art - Pop Art

Children will learn about the important artist Andy Warhol and use colour and tone to create works in their style.





# Ideas for parents to support learning in school.

- Take them to the swimming pool.
- Practice times tables in a variety of ways.
- Discuss Guru Nanak Dev Ji's Gurpurab
- Encourage your child to research the History topic of Anglo- Saxons
- Read with your child.
- Complete all homework in all subjects.