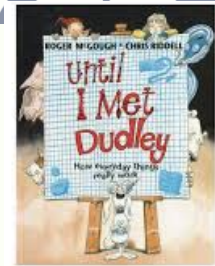




# YEAR 4

THE PURPOSE OF THIS NEWSLETTER IS TO INFORM YOU OF THE TOPICS THAT YOUR CHILDREN WILL BE STUDYING THIS HALF TERM...



## Literacy

This half term, Year 4's literacy sessions will focus around the non-fiction book 'Until I Met Dudley' by Roger McGough and Chris Riddell. We will learn all about the features of explanation texts and incorporating these features into our own non narrative writing.

Our main areas of writing will be:

- informative writing
- instructional writing
- explanation texts

During our reading sessions, we will be reading the book 'The Malamander' by Thomas Taylor.

## Numeracy

Our main areas of study for this half term will be:-

- finding the area of 2D shapes.
- written methods for multiplication.
- written methods for division

Your child will continue developing their knowledge of the times tables. I would appreciate it if you could support their learning by practising their times tables at home. Our main focus this half term will be 6, 7 and 9 times table.

## Science

In Science we will be focusing on the unit 'States of Matter'. We will be learning about the three different states of matter and the properties of each one. Children will be applying their skills to practical and interesting experiments to help develop their learning within Science.

### RE/PSHE

In R.E. we will be focusing on the question, 'What World did Jesus want?' In our PSHE lessons, we will be learning all about 'Celebrating Difference' where we will discuss respecting each other's differences.

### Music

In Music our lessons will focus on playing the glockenspiels and developing our skills when reading notated music sheets.

### Computing

In computing we will begin learning about how to record data using a computer. We will also continue to learn about how to be safe online,

### Art/DT

This half term we will continue focusing on our Art unit called 'Contrast and Complement' where we will learn more about the colour wheel including making our own warm and cool tones. While in D&T we will continue learning about the unit 'Fresh Food, Good Food'.

## History/Geography

This term we will continue learning about the Anglo-Saxons where we will learn about the power struggle between the Vikings and Anglo Saxons and what effect that had in Britain. In Geography, we will continuing learning all about renewable energy and how countries around the world are fighting climate change. We will use photos, various sources, maps and technology to research these topics.

### PE

Lessons will take place on a Friday afternoon. Children will need their PE kit of plain red shorts and plain white T Shirt. Earrings need to be removed or covered with tape.

### Home Reading

Children will be given their reading books to take home on a daily basis. They should be encouraged to read a few pages or a chapter every night. Please discuss with your child what they have read before signing their reading record. Books need to be brought to school every day. All children are entered into the class reading challenge where they need to read at least 5 times a week.

### Homework/Spellings

Homework and spellings will be set on Mondays.

Children will have a week to return their completed homework.

**Please come and see Mrs Hunter at the end of the day if you have any questions or concerns, or contact the school office if it is urgent.**