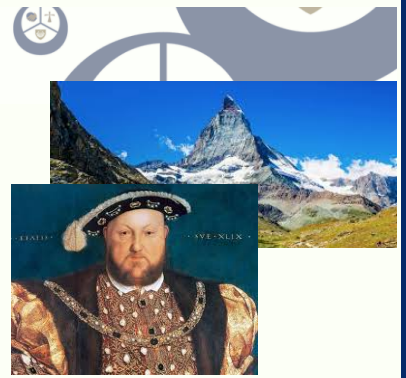




# YEAR 4

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 book 'Weslandia' by Paul Fleischman where a young boy creates his own civilisation.

Our main areas of writing will be:

- Creating our own brochure.
- Character descriptions
- Non-chronological reports

During our reading lessons, we will begin reading and discussing the poetry book, 'Poems from a Blue and Green Planet' by Sabrina Mahfouz.

## Numeracy

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

- Decimals
- Time
- Money

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 8, 9 and 12 times table.

## Science

In Science we will be focusing on the unit 'Sound'. We will deepen our knowledge on what is sound, how is it made and how does it travel? Children will be applying their skills to practical and interesting investigations to help develop their learning within Science.

## RE/PSHE

In R.E. we will be focusing on the question, 'When Jesus left, what next?'  
In our PSHE lessons, we will be learning all about different relationships with our families and friends through our unit 'Relationships'.

## Music

In Music we will continue to develop our composing skills whilst playing a glockenspiel.

## Computing

In computing we will be learning about the various ways we can log data. We will also continue to learn about how to be safe online,

## Art/DT

We will be focusing on our Art unit called 'Animal', and our DT unit 'Functional and Fancy Fabric'. Children will be involved in practical activities wherever possible.

## History/Geography

This half term we will begin our new History unit called 'What was Britain like during Tudor times?' where we will learn about the Tudor monarchs and how life was different to ours during this era. In Geography, we will begin our new unit of 'Mountains' focusing on the Himalayan mountains. We will use photos, maps, sources and technology to research and develop our knowledge about these units.

## PE

Lessons will continue to take place on a Friday afternoon. Children will need their PE kit of plain red shorts and plain white T Shirt. Outdoor kits of plain black joggers and sweatshirt, as well as trainers are also required on this day, as wherever possible, PE lessons will take place outside.

## 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 should be brought to school every day but must be returned on a Friday so we can change their books.

All children are entered into the class reading challenge where they need to read at least 5 times a week.

## Homework/Spellings

Spellings will be set on Mondays. Timetables will be set on a Friday.  
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.**