

# Y4 Curriculum News

## Spring term 2024



### English

For poetry, we will be creating journey raps – focusing on rhyme and rhythm. We will be using the stories 'Tortuga' by Paul Geraghty and 'Man on the Moon' by Simon Bartram for our story writing focus. For non-fiction we will be writing explanation texts. We also have daily spelling and reading activities. These can be supported at home through the use of Spelling Shed and encouraging home reading.

### Maths

To start the term, we will be multiplying and dividing. We will practise working out questions in our heads and then use written methods to find the answers to multiplication and division problems. We will be exploring different representations of fractions, adding and subtracting fractions with the same denominator and learning about the relationship between fractions and decimals. We will especially focus on tenths and hundredths. We also have regular times tables activities. These can be supported at home through the use of TT Rockstars.

### Note to Parents

P.E Days will be:

**Week 1 – Monday**

**Week 2 – Monday**

Children will need to be in school PE kit on these days.

Please ensure that your child:

- Reads at home at least 3 times a week and the home-reading record book is kept up-to-date. This book will be checked every Monday.
- Practises their times tables, this can be done through TT Rockstars.
- Practises their spelling this can be done using Spelling Shed.

### Science

For the first half of the term our science focus will be Changing Sound. We will be learning about how sounds are made and investigate vibrations, pitch and volume using various instruments. This will be supported by our trip to the science centre. For the second half of the term, we will look at the differences between solids and liquids and explore how they can be separated.



## Journey through Europe

### PSHE

We will be thinking about our hopes and dreams and how we can overcome any barriers we might face. We will also be thinking about how we can keep ourselves healthy. This will include work on healthy eating, exercise and friendships.

### P.E

We will be learning about dynamic balance, counter balance and coordination then developing these skills.

### Geography

We will be learning about Europe. This will include studying the physical features and looking at how people live. We will also look at the different climate zones across Europe and will learn how to use maps. In the second half of the term, we are going to study volcanoes.

### R.E

We will be learning about how people communicate with each other. We will then link this to the Jewish holy book (The Torah). For our Easter focus, we will learn about the Paschal candle and think about why Easter is important to Christians.

### Computing

We will be learning about photo editing using different tools to create this. This will be followed by data logging, understanding how and why data is collected.

### Art / DT

In art we will be exploring cubism. We are going to look at cubist landscapes and then create our own.

### Music

We will be learning some songs and the actions to go with them to sing with the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra.