# Curriculum Overview - Year 4 - Summer 1 2024





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**Text:** In writing lessons this half-term, the children will be basing their learning on the book 'Quest' by Aaron Becker. The children will spend time getting to know the story and the characters before beginning to write a range of genres based on the book. The children will begin by rewriting the story in their own words. They will then write another short story using the book as inspiration.

**Reading**: The children will be reading 'The Butterfly Lion' by Michael Morpurgo this half-term. The children will focus on the skills 'summarising,' 'evaluating' and 'making connections'.

**Grammar and punctuation**: This half-term, the children will continue to consolidate their learning about subordinating conjunctions, speech punctuation and expanded noun phrases.

#### Maths

**Times tables -** This half-term, the children will continue with their times table learning. They will focus on recalling all times tables up to 12x12 at speed.

**Money -** In their learning about money, the children will reflect on their knowledge from previous year groups, before moving onto estimating and comparing amounts of money. Following this, the children will convert between pounds and pence, add and subtract money and calculate change.

**Time -** In this unit, the children will learn to tell the time to the minute. They will learn to use a 24 hour clock and they will convert between analogue and digital time too. Finally, the children will develop their understanding of units of time, including seconds, minutes, hours, months and years.

#### **Science**

This half term, the children will be learning about the topic 'Animals Including Humans.' They will learn about the human digestive system and the role different parts of the body play in this. They will also learn about human teeth and compare these to the teeth of other animals. Finally, the children will learn about food chains. This will include learning key food chain vocabulary and creating their own food chains.

**Key vocabulary:** digestive system, stomach, intestine, mouth, teeth, incisor, canine, molar, premolar, food chain, predator, prey, consumer, producer

## Computing

This half-term, the children will be learning all about creating short animations using the program 2Animate.

## Geography

In Geography lessons, the children will be continuing to focus on Japan. They will learn about nuclear power and the cause and impact of tsunamis. The children will then learn about different marine biomes, including coral reefs.

## Art

This half-term, the children will be learning about drawing power prints. They will explore the effect of holding a pencil in different ways and applying different pressures to create 3D pencil drawings.

## **Religious Education**

In our RE learning, the children will be beginning a new topic, 'Why is the Bible the best-selling book of all time?'

#### **PSHE**

Our PSHE topic this half-term is 'Being Responsible.' The children will be focusing particularly on the topic of being on time.

## <u>PE</u>

This half-term, the children will be focusing on dance. The children will explore and create different movements and they will link these movements together in a logical pattern.

## **Music**

The Year 4 music topics for this half-term are 'Ancient Worlds' and 'Building.'

#### **Modern Foreign Languages**

The children will be learning about 'Where I live' in Spanish this half-term.

Please remember to continue to practise times tables up to 12 x 12 with your child every day at home!