

Music

This is a Unit of Work that builds on previous learning. It is supported by weekly lesson plans and assessment. All the learning is focused around one song: Stop! - a rap/song about bullying. We will learn about the interrelated dimensions of music through games, singing and composing.

DT – Terrific Torches

Our DT project this half term will see us attempting to make our own torches from recycled plastics!

Writing

Across the school this half term we are going to continue using an English resource to support our work in writing, called *The Write Stuff*. As previously, writing work will be organised into units focussing on a particular genre. This half term we will be completing our science fiction piece of writing based on The Iron Man- Ted Hughes, before moving on to a unit focussed on poetry.

Spellings

This half term we will be using spellingframe.co.uk again to support us in learning our weekly spellings. Each week will focus on a different spelling pattern / rule and online tests will need to be taken by Friday.

Reading

We will have guided reading sessions in school, focussing on developing our comprehension and inference skills. The first text we will be exploring this half term in 'The Frozen Man' – a poem by Kit Wright. It is vitally important that children are also reading regularly at home and this needs to be recorded in children's reading records.

Home Learning

Home learning will be uploaded on to Google Classroom every Friday. Please could this be handed in online (or as a physical copy) by the following Wednesday. If your child is struggling with a task that has been set, please don't hesitate to let us know, as we are happy to provide support. Please also continue to ensure that your child regularly reads and practises their times tables and spellings.

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Sounds Spectacular!

We have a science focus for our work this half term, with our new topic 'Sounds Spectacular!' We will learn how sounds are made and investigate how the volume and pitch of sounds can be altered. We will also be carrying out an investigation into which materials provide the best soundproofing. We will also be learning about electricity. We will investigate and create our own simple electrical circuits.

PE

We will be having PE on both Tuesdays and Thursdays with Mr Murrin. He will be looking at gymnastics and fitness; this will allow children to improve their fundamental skills. These skills can be used across all sports, providing children with a strong building block.

Maths

We are going to start this half term by completing our multiplication and division unit, by focussing on division and the different methods we can use. We will then be completing a unit on area.

Times Tables

Times tables are incredibly important and being able to quickly recall multiplication and division facts is a key skill which helps support children with a number of different areas of maths. In the summer term, all year 4 children across the country will sit a timed multiplication tables check. Please support your child in learning their table facts at home either by encouraging children to use our subscription to Times Tables Rock Stars, or by speaking to Mr Norton about alternative activities / strategies.

RE

Our RE focus this half term is on Hinduism. We will be thinking about what it means to be a Hindu in Britain today – particularly focussing on what is most important to Hindus and how they worship.

PSHE - Jigsaw

Our jigsaw learning this half term will be focused on Dreams and Goals. We will be encouraging the children to reflect on their own dreams and goals and considering how these can be achieved.

French

We will be learning how to tell somebody the members, names and various ages of either their own or a fictional family in French.