

## Year 4 topics for Spring Term



Welcome to a new term in Year 4.

In literacy, the class will be reading *How To Train Your Dragon* by Cressida Cowell. They will be exploring the features of a setting description and a non-chronological report. They will consider how to use these features in their own writing. The class will improve their spelling knowledge by using some of the words from the Year 3 / 4 word list in their independent writing.

In maths, the class will be learning about factors and factor pairs. They will learn how to multiply and divide by 10 and 100. They will also learn how to use a formal written strategy to multiply or divide 2 and 3 digit numbers by a single number. The class will learn more about length and how to calculate the perimeter of a shape. They will continue to develop their recall of multiplication and division facts based on times tables up to  $12 \times 12$ .

In science, the class will be learning about electricity. They will consider electrical appliances and will learn about the components in a series circuit. They will investigate how switches are used to open and close a circuit and what the effects of changing components in a circuit are.

In history, the class topic this term will be the Anglo-Saxons. The class will learn where the Anglo-Saxons came from and why they settled here. They will also learn about Anglo-Saxon settlements and how the country was divided into different kingdoms. As part of this topic, in geography, the class will also learn about Scandinavia.

In DT, the class will complete a topic about electrical systems which includes activities based around circuits and switches.

In computing, the class will learn more about e-safety and discuss the importance of this. They will then complete a topic about data logging.

PE will be on Wednesday afternoons. The focus for this half term will be gymnastics.

In RE, the class will be thinking about the question — How and why do people try to make the world a better place?

In music, the class will be learning how to perform music and will begin to learn how to play the recorder.

Homework will be set on class dojo at the start of the term. This will include regular reading, weekly spellings and the optional tasks.

Thank you.

Mr Griffiths

Mrs Cawley

