

Spring 1 2025 Year 4

English

Reading

This half-term, the children will be developing their reading skills while exploring the text 'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes.

Fiction

In writing, we will be writing a fictional set of instructions that will inform people about 'how to lay a trap to catch the Iron Man'.

Non-fiction

Our main writing focus this half-term is a persuasive letter. In this topic, we will be learning how to use persuasive language to convince a local shopkeeper to stock Fairtrade food items in their shop.

Maths

In maths this half-term, the children will begin their 'fractions' topic. In their lessons, they will learn how to:

- Understand what a whole is.
- Partition a mixed number.
- Understand and convert improper fractions and mixed numbers.
- Identify equivalent fractions.
- Add and subtract improper fractions and mixed numbers.

Geography

Geography:

In our geography lessons this half-term, pupils will be exploring the topic of 'food around the world' alongside their Fairtrade learning theme. In our lessons, we will consider the distribution of the world's biomes and explore the journey our food takes from its origins to our plates. We will also spend time exploring the concept of Fairtrade and why it is important that farmers are paid fairly for their work.

Music

Children will explore sounds, pitch, melody and tempo within the topic 'Recycling'.

Computing

In Computing lessons, children will be creating animations using Purple Mash. Within the animations topic, they will learn how to animate their own object, use different tools such as onion skinning and adding backgrounds and create stopmotion animations.

Fairtrade



PSHE

In PSHE, children will be learning about their feelings.
They will be learning about how to express their feelings,
manage their feelings and how to deal with jealousy.

RE

The children will learn about the different faiths that are shared in our country. They will find out about the different faiths in our local community and learn bits about these.

French

Our next two French topics are Raconte-moi une and Histoire! Their focus will be story telling.

<u>PE</u>

Rob Burrow Class will be going swimming this half term and developing their volleyball skills in their weekly PE lesson. Frida Kahlo class will be Developing their tennis and dance skills.

Science

The children will be learning about states of matter this half-term. We will spend time learning about:

- solids, liquids and gases and how they are made of particles.
- reversible and irreversible changes.
- how to set up an investigation and make it a fair test.

Art

'Painting and mixed media, light and dark' is the theme for our next art topic. The children will be developing skills in colour mixing, focussing on using tints and shades to create a 3D effect. They will experiment with composition and applying painting techniques to a personal still life piece.