

## English

This term we will be looking at the beautiful book; 'Where the Poppies Now Grow.' We will then write a flash back from the perspective of one of the characters. We will then learn about chronological reports based on the book The Dragon Slayer. As we approach Christmas we will have fun writing a job application for the role of an elf! Children will focus on understanding and using adverbs, conjunctions, commas, verb tenses, subordinate clauses, capital letters, full stops, question and exclamation marks.

We will continue to learn and test on spellings in class, so please ask your child about the spelling patterns they are learning. Children will be given daily opportunities to practice their handwriting, focusing on the diagonal and horizontal strokes that are needed to join letters.

Our Class text will be The Firework-Makers Daughter by Philip Pullman.

## Science

In Autumn 2, our science topic is Animals, Including Humans. We will learn to describe the basic functions of the digestive system in humans, identify the different types of teeth and their functions and to construct a variety of food chains.



## French

The children will continue to learn to converse in French. They will learn greetings, pleasantries and commands.



## PE

The children will continue to have 2 hours of PE each week. They will be studying Netball and Dance. PE days are Mondays and Wednesdays. Children should come into school in their PE kits on these days.

## Geography

Europe – Is Europe the same all over? We will be learning about the countries in Europe and the different physical features and environments in Europe

## PSHE

Our PSHE theme is health and well-being where we will be thinking about our physical and mental health. We will be considering strategies to keep us fit and well.

# Year 4 Autumn 2

Mrs Keegan (Mon, Tues, Weds)

Mrs Romagnoli (Weds, Thurs, Fri)

## Maths

In Autumn 2, we will continue to consolidate addition and subtraction before moving on to measure and finding the area of rectilinear shapes by counting squares.

We will then move onto multiplication and division. We will be doing this through concrete and pictorial resources in order to deepen understanding and problem-solving ability.

By the end of Year 4 children will need to know all their times tables to 12 x 12 and in June there will be the Year 4 Multiplication Check. We will practice these tables in school and it would be very beneficial if parents could reinforce this learning at home too.

## Religion

We will describe what a prophet is drawing on Elijah and John the Baptist as examples and make links with the words of Isaiah, the preaching of John the Baptist, and the season of Advent. We will reflect on what it means to be a good leader.



## Computing

We will be learning about coding this half term using Scratch. We will be writing some simple programmes and can't wait to see what we can do. If you use programming in your job perhaps you could come in and chat to us about it. As always, we will also be thinking about on-line safety.



**Music** We will learn about the origin and features of rock and roll music, how to play the Hand Jive and Rock Around the Clock, looking specifically at a walking bass line, before performing a piece as a class.

## D&T

This half term we will be looking at structures and are excited to plan and make a stable for role play and as well as a model to consider the Christmas story at home.