

## ENGLISH

During this half term the children will be investigating various play scripts and working as a group to perform them. They will learn about the features of this text-type and then use these to create their own play scripts. The children will watch a short animated film and write it as a play. In addition, they will study a unit on stories with historical settings. Linking to their work on the Vikings, they will use a Viking-themed text to explore writing styles, including the use of figurative language.

## HISTORY

The children will be finding out about Viking Britain from a range of sources. They will learn why and how the Vikings invaded Britain and will investigate how life in Viking Britain was similar to and different from that in Anglo-Saxon times. They will continue to develop their understanding of chronology, becoming confident in plotting events on a timeline, and will be able to securely use terms such as 'BC' and 'AD'.

## SCIENCE

In the science topic 'Animals including Humans' the children will learn about teeth and their functions. Furthermore, they will carry out investigations on what causes tooth decay. They will learn about the human digestive system and how food is transported around the body. During this topic they will compare the diets of herbivores, carnivores and omnivores.

## MATHEMATICS

This half term the children will reinforce and extend their learning about 2D shapes. They will recognise shape names and identify their properties. Protractors will be used during our work on angles when the children will be learning how to measure and draw acute, obtuse and reflex angles. The children will investigate how to work out lines of symmetry in different shapes using mirrors. Additionally, they will explore how to work out the area of different shapes by applying the appropriate formula to the problem.

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## RE

In RE the children consider the question - How and why do Hindus worship at home and in the Mandir? In this unit they are introduced to Hinduism by exploring ways in which Hindus worship and they find out why worship is important to members of the Hindu community. The children learn about the Hindu idea of God in many forms and reflect on different aspects of their own character.

## COMPUTING

During this half term, the children will begin by learning about the importance of Internet safety. Then they are introduced to software called AppMaker which they will use to create their own app all about animals' diets, linking with our science topic.

## ART AND DESIGN

This half term, the children's art work is linked to the Vikings. They will sketch images of artefacts and use clay to explore and develop ideas, including making replicas of Viking artefacts.

## PE

Swimming lessons will begin for class 4S. Alongside this, the children are developing their netball skills this half term. They learn how to travel with a netball and pass it accurately to another player. For indoor PE, classes 4A and 4C will be learning to dance to the rhythm of a beat and working in groups they will learning how to dance in unison.