

ENGLISH

This half term the children will be focusing on persuasive writing. They will begin by identifying the different features needed in this type of text. The children will have an opportunity to look at a range of adverts. They will convince their audience to buy a particular products by using a range of techniques such as using positive descriptive language, altering the tone to suit the specific audience, repetition and emotive language. Children will also take part in debates and write for/ against arguments. They will use all the skills they have learnt to write a range of persuasive letters.

MATHEMATICS

This half term the children will reinforce and extend their knowledge of fractions. They will learn how to order different fractions on a number line and use their multiplication and division skills to simplify and work out equivalent fractions. Additionally, the children will add and subtract fractions using visual illustrations. We will also focus on time, including how to read a 24-hour clock, change time from hours to minutes and solve word problems by working out time intervals.

GEOGRAPHY

The children will be finding out about rainforests and where they are located in the world. They will learn about the layers in rainforests and how these enable different animals to create their homes. Deforestation will be explored with the children; examining how and why this habitat is being destroyed. In addition, the children will enhance their knowledge about rainforest animals and plants.

SCIENCE

In the science topic 'Electricity', the children will work in small groups to construct and draw simple circuits. They will explore which materials are the best electrical conductors and use this information to make switches. The children will also carry out their own scientific investigations to identify and test questions such as 'Why does a bulb become brighter?' and 'What causes the flow of electricity to stop in a circuit?'

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CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

RE

In RE the children consider the question – Why is Easter important to Christians? In this unit the children will learn about why and how Easter is celebrated by Christians throughout the world. Events such as Palm Sunday and the Last Supper will be studied and discussed. The children will be visiting a church later on in the term.

COMPUTING

During this half term, the children will continue using AppMaker to produce an app. They will create storyboards which they will use to design Apps with images, videos, quizzes and factual information.

DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY

This half term, the children will be focussing on the importance of having a balanced diet. They will learn about different food groups and then use that knowledge to design, create and then evaluate a healthy sandwich.

PE

For outdoor PE, the children will develop their throwing, catching, defending and attacking skills in tag rugby. This is the non-contact version of rugby, requiring players to touch their opponent rather than tackle them. For indoor PE, 4A and 4B will be focusing on gymnastics. They will be creating and carrying out sequences using apparatus at a variety of heights. Class 4M will continue going swimming.