MATHS

This term the children will be learning about fractions and decimals. We will look at what fractions represent and how to use Improper fractions and mixed numbers. We will then learn about equivalent fractions and how to add and subtract fractions with the same denominator.

After this we will start to look at working with decimal numbers, using tenths and hundredths.

Year 4 Term 4 – Vikings and Saxons at war (HISTORY)

In this topic, we will continue to look at life in Anglo-Saxon England and look at the events that happened after the invasions of the Vikings, leading up to the decisive battle of Hastings in 1066. We will be learning about why the Vikings invaded Britain and why they were so successful as not just invaders, but as traders, explorers and settlers. We will look at Viking life and compare it to the Anglo-Saxon way of life and learn about the key figures from this period of time. During this topic the children will consider how historical events are linked and how one historical event can have long lasting effects throughout history.

Finally we will be looking at one of the most famous and possibly one of the most important battles in English history, The Battle of Hasting, and thinking about why this is still so important for us, almost 1000 years later.

ART

The class will be developing their pencil skills and learning to control different types of pencils to create effective pencil drawings.

The children will be using these skills to help them to draw effective portraits of Viking warriors.

SCIENCE

The children explore a variety of ways to identify, sort, group and classify living things. They learn how animals are split into 'vertebrates' and 'invertebrates' and learn to use classification keys to group, identify and name living things.

PSHE

This unit is based on the concept that we all have a responsibility to live as global citizens. It is inspired by the idea that we all have a responsibility to help the environment and all living things throughout the world through the choices we make.

MUSIC

All of the work in this unit will be focused on the one song, Lean on Me. The children will be learning to sing this song and to perform it with instruments. We will also be listening to and appraising other famous soul songs.

RE

In this unit, pupils learn from different religious and spiritual ways of life relating to milestones on the journey of life. Through exploring baptism, Bar and Bat Mitzvah or Hindu Samskaras and marriage pupils explore how and why people chose to mark significant moments in life.

PE

Our outdoor PE this term will be Tag-Ruby, on a Monday afternoon, at the field. Our indoor PE will be Gymnastics where we will be focussing on different ways of balancing and travelling gracefully around our space.

MFL

In this ‘Going Shopping’ unit we will learn about the shopping experience in France. Children will learn specific vocabulary of fruit, vegetables and clothes. They will learn key phrases for asking the questions needed when going shopping.

ENGLISH

Our class text is “She Wolf”, the tale of a Viking girl on a journey of revenge. We will be using this book to help us to write instructions and to write a short narrative text. In addition to this we will be looking a Kennings, a popular type of poem in Viking times, and learning to write our own.

COMPUTING

This Programming unit will teach children how to create an algorithm to program a procedure. Children are reminded of the basic commands and how to repeat alongside a variable. The children are then shown how to program their own procedures, use colour and set the position of the turtle.