

Year 4 Curriculum Summary / Information for Parents - Spring Term 2

English	Maths	History / Geography
This half term we will be learning: <u>Narrative</u> Using the book by Charles Mackesy titled 'The Boy, the Fox, the Mole and the Horse,' we will be creating our own narrative based on the subject of love, loss and hope. <u>Inviting an Author – Persuasive Letter</u> We will be learning how to structure a formal letter and developing the techniques that we learned in the Autumn Term, to write a persuasive letter to an author to encourage them to possibly visit our school. <u>Grammar</u> Working on grammar objectives set out in the Year 4 National Curriculum: Determiners, Word Families, Prepositional Phrases, Verb Tenses and Inverted Commas. <u>Spelling and phonics –</u> Continue to look at the year 3/4 high frequency words from The National Curriculum.	This half term we will be learning: <u>Fractions</u> Add and subtract fractions of the same denominator. Count up and down in hundredths; recognise that hundredths arise when dividing by one hundred and dividing tenths by ten. <u>Decimals</u> Recognise and write decimal equivalents of any number of tenths or hundredths. Recognise and write decimal equivalents for common fractions such as 1 half, 3 quarters etc. Find the effect of dividing a one- or two-digit number by 10 and 100, identifying the value of the digits in the answer as ones, tenths and hundredths. Round decimals with one decimal place to the nearest whole number.	This half term our focus will be Geography and we will be learning: <u>Mapping Skills</u> To name and locate areas of the world using atlases and directional language. To be able to use 4-figure grid references to locate the countries of Europe on a map. To learn what some Ordnance Survey symbols mean on a map. To use an Ordnance Survey key to investigate and plot an area within my locality. To use fieldwork skills to find human and physical features of Sayers Croft.
Science	PE	Additional Notes
This half term we will be learning: <u>States of matter</u> To know the properties of a solid, liquid and a gas. To know what is meant by states of matter. To know the processes of changing states through heating and cooling. To know the melting points of various solids. To know the different states of water. The Water Cycle. Use thermometers to know the melting and freezing points of various substances.	This half term we will be learning: <u>Swimming</u> <u>Kick London - Hockey</u>	<u>Upcoming events/trips</u> Year 4 will continue to have a swimming lesson every Thursday afternoon. Please ensure children have their swimming kit, swimming cap and towel every Thursday. <u>PE times</u> Friday afternoon (Kick London) Please make sure that your child has their full PE kit and that it is clearly labelled. <u>Homework days</u> Children will receive their homework every Thursday and this will be due in the following Tuesday. <u>Sayers Croft</u> Sayers Croft meeting on 12th March for parents and children in the hall 8.30-9.15. Year 4 will be going on their trip to Sayers Croft on 23rd March and will return on 25th March.
	<u>Art / DT</u> This half term we will be learning: <u>DT – Making slingshot cars:</u> To produce an accurate, functioning chassis. To reduce air resistance through the design. To construct car bodies effectively. To conduct a trial accurately and draw conclusions and improvements from results.	
	<u>RE / PSHE</u> This half term we will be learning: <u>Sikhism</u> Be able to place significant events and teaching at appropriate points in the life of Guru Nanak. Be able to make links between the practices and celebrations of Sikhism and the beliefs that lay behind them. <u>Healthy Me</u> Healthier friendships Group dynamics How to be kind and considerate of others out of school (Sayers Croft)	
Music	RE / PSHE	
This half term we will be learning: <u>Fanfare For the Common Man and Spain</u> Learn characteristics of and compose a fanfare, habanera rhythm.		
French	Computing	
This half term we will be learning: <u>Où vas-tu?</u> Going to French cities. Giving and understanding basic directions. Talking about the weather. Weather and places in France.	This half term we will be learning: <u>Data Logging</u> Recognising how and why data is collected over time, before using data loggers to carry out an investigation.	