



# What's happening during the Summer term 1 in Year 4?



## Literacy

**Writing** – Key text for this half term is 'Charlotte's Web' by E.B.White.

Children will develop descriptive writing by choosing precise vocabulary, using similes and metaphors to create atmosphere, alongside adding stage directions to dialogue.

They will write a story that shows how a character's life changes and inspires the reader using varied sentence structures, cohesive tenses and adverbials to build and develop a character's journey.

**Reading** – We will focus on key reading skills such as:

- Retrieving information
- Understanding of the vocabulary that has been used
- Inference skills
- Making predictions in a text
- Improving reading fluency

**Spelling** –Children will further be encouraged to explore a range of spellings rules and strategies for learning spellings. With weekly spelling tests.

**Handwriting** – Focused sessions will be held at least once a week, alongside daily practice in literacy and will continue to focus on the correct formation and size of letters. The children will continue to work on using diagonal and horizontal joins correctly to improve the legibility of their writing.

## Forest School

Forest School will be every **Thursday** afternoon. Children should arrive to school wearing their school uniform with a change of clothes/shoes for forest school.



## Wider Curriculum

**History**- The Anglo Saxons, the Scots and the Vikings

1. Anglo Saxon England
2. The Scots and the Picts
3. Anglo Saxon Settlements
4. Anglo Saxon Culture and Religion
5. Who were the Vikings?
6. Viking Raids and Invasion

## **Art - Monuments of the Byzantine Empire**

Monuments: Hagia Sofia, Basilica of San Vitale – Ravenna, icons  
PAINTING, COLLAGE

## **Science – Sound**

How vibrations travel through a medium to the ear, sound insulation, volume, pitch, sounds from near and far

## **PHSE- Health and Wellbeing**

Growing Up

## **Spanish**

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## Homework

Weekly homework will be set every Friday and should be returned by the following Wednesday. Children will be given a maths and spelling based task.

**Practice times tables for MTC**

## Maths

The children will move their learning forward in beginning the Year 4 objectives in Maths. This will include the following areas:

**Fractions** – adding and subtracting fractions.

**Decimals A** – tenth as a fraction and decimal, tenths on a place value chart and a number line, dividing 1-digit and 2-digit number by 10 and 100, hundredths as a fraction and decimal, hundredths on a place value chart.

**Decimals B** – make a whole with tenths and hundredths, partition decimals, compare decimals, order decimals, round to the nearest whole number, halves and quarters as decimals.

**Money** – write money using decimals, convert between pounds and pence, compare amounts of money, estimate and calculate with money, solve problems with money.

## PE

PE will be on **Tuesday**. Children should come into school wearing the correct PE kit and footwear. They will remain in this for the rest of the day.

## RE **Islam**

What is the best way for a Muslim to lead a good life?