

**Year 4 2021**  
**Autumn Curriculum Newsletter**



**English**

This term in English, we shall be writing a setting description and understand how to hook the reader. We shall be learning about expanded noun phrases, similes and prepositions. We shall also be writing a persuasive letter based upon our topic.

The children will continue to develop their grammar knowledge by using Century to support their blended learning.

In reading, we shall be focussing on the text 'Kensuke's Kingdom' by Michael Monpurgo. It is certainly set to be an adventure!

**Geography:**

In Geography we will be naming and locating counties and cities of the United Kingdom, geographical regions and their identifying physical characteristics including hills, mountains, coasts and rivers.

**Our Topic:**  
**World of Water**



**Extra curricular**

We will be making our very own diorama of the water cycle after all our learning.

**Maths**

This term in maths, we shall be focussed on place value of numbers up to ten thousand. We shall be learning how to add and subtract 4-digit numbers and know how to round them to estimate.

We shall continue with our number fluency of timetables by competing on Times Tables Rockstars and Numbots. If you want to get ahead of the game, and pre-teach yourself. There are lots of available videos on the Whiterose website.

**Science**

In science we will be learning about living things and their habitats with a focus on the ocean. We will also learn about the water cycle and then move on to learn about electricity and everyday materials.

**Art and Computing**

We shall be taking part in a whole trust project with a specialist Art and IT Teacher.

In Art the children will explore abstract watercolour paintings by a range of artists and create their own watercolour art work. In computing they will be exploring how to navigate the internet and be learning to audio edit.

**PSHE**

We will learn about 'Rights and Responsibilities', 'Families and people who care for me', 'Caring friendships', 'Physical health and fitness' and 'Healthy Eating'.

**Reading**

We shall continue to teach reading with the whole class. We will examine a variety of texts to expand our vocabulary, retrieve information and develop our inference.

Children must continue to read every day at home.

**Music**

We're so excited that the children will have the opportunity to learn how to play Samba instruments to create their very own Samba band. They will learn how to play different rhythms on a range of instruments and how to play in unison and in different parts.