English:

This term in English the children will begin by exploring poetry and learning more about William Shakespeare. We will explore Shakespeare's sonnets before studying his play Macbeth. We will meet a variety of characters and complete lots of drama-based activities such as freeze frames and role plays. By the end of term, the children will have written a poem, a newspaper report and published their own comic strip.

History:

This half term the children will be exploring what happened during the Tudor reign. The children will look at a variety of sources and use artefacts, books and iPads to research the Tudors. They will also discover what happened at the Battle of Bosworth and the significance of it, before exploring the life of Henry VIII and his six wives. Finally, we will collate information to answer whether Henry VIII was a good king or not. There will be lots of opportunities for the children to pose and answer their own historical questions

Maths:

Children will be continuing work on fractions and decimals.

Their knowledge of times tables and division will help them.

They will learn to convert improper fractions to mixed fractions and convert fractions to decimals.

This will lead us in to looking at money and time. As always, times tables knowledge is incredibly important and the children will continue to learn their times tables leading to their multiplication check in the summer term.

The children will then move on to looking at 2D shapes, their properties and angles, as well as learning to add to find perimeter and multiply to calculate area.

<u>R.E:</u>

This term we are focusing on 'Easter'. The children will be focusing the story of Easter. We will begin by retelling and sequencing the story before writing a diary entry exploring how Jesus felt throughout the key events in the story of Easter.

Music:

This half term, year 4 will continue music lessons looking at the work of the Beatles.
They will look at elements of a piece of music including pitch and tempo.

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PE:

PE is every Thursday.
This half term, we are fortunate to have a PE coach from LSSP working with year 4.
The children will learn cricket skills, including effective grip, swing and throwing and catching.

PSHE:

This term we will be completing our
Wellbeing lessons on the topic of
'Healthy Me'. Children will consider how
healthy lifestyles and relationships can
impact on happy lives.
We are also very lucky to have the
Everton in the Community group who
will work with Year 4 about 'tackling
the blues' through sport.

Science:

This term we are focusing on 'The Digestive System.'
The children will be looking at each stage of the digestive system and how this helps us eat food.
The children will investigate how we digest food by making their very own model of the digestive system. We will also look at the importance of a healthy diet and the importance of our teeth and keeping them healthy.

Computing:

In our computing topic this half term the children will explore how to create and share digital artefacts. The children will investigate animation techniques and programmes and by the end of term they will work in groups to create their own animation film about Henry VIII and his six wives

Art:

Our Art this term is focusing on textiles. The children will discover different ways of creating patterns on fabric and then focus on the art of weaving. They will analyse artwork explaining the story that the piece is telling. The children will learn to weave and then create a final piece of textile art telling their own story.

Remember a water bottle and a healthy snack for playtime.