

## **English**

We will begin this half term by reviewing a variety of narrative poems. The children will focus on the language devices the poet uses and the 'story' being told through poetry. Then we will move on to planning and writing our own narrative poem. Following this, the children will link the narrative poem they have been studying to their history topic of crime and punishment and begin to debate suitable punishments. Finally, they will finish the term by writing a formal persuasive debate.

## **History**

### **Crime and Punishment**

This term we will be learning about crime and punishment through the ages and how it has changed over time. We will be focusing on the Romans, Anglo-Saxons, Victorians and Tudors. We will be exploring what types of crimes people committed and what punishments were in place for each era before comparing and contrasting the crimes and punishments to what happens today.

## **Maths**

In Maths lessons, we will be focusing on division. Children's knowledge of times tables will be essential to help them to complete divisions. This will lead us on to learning about fractions and decimals. We will be learning how to find fractions of shapes and numbers and identify equivalent fractions. We will add and subtract fractions with the same denominator and learn to convert improper fractions to mixed fractions. We will also be looking at money and time. As always, times tables knowledge is incredibly important and the children must know all tables up to 12 x 12, and the corresponding division facts, working towards their multiplication check in June.

## **R.E**

This term we are focusing on exploring Hinduism. We will begin by exploring important aspects of Hindu's beliefs, Hindu gods and goddesses, why puja is important to Hindu's and how this is practiced at home. Finally we will complete the topic with a reflective task.

## **Music**

We will be learning rhythm, pitch and tempo. The children will sing along to 'Stop' and follow the beat.

## **Year 4**



## **Home/School Sheet Spring 1**

## **PE**

Our PE this half term is 'Invasion Games'. The children will be developing their communication skills and working as a team to complete games. Year four will complete PE **every Wednesday**.

## **PSHE**

This term we will continue with our Wellbeing Wednesdays. Our topic this half term is 'Dreams and Goals'. Our lessons will follow the Movement, Connect Us, Stretch & Relax, Circle time and Breath and Believe format. We also complete daily sensory breaks.

## **Science**

Our Science topic will aim to answer the question: 'How is sound enjoyed by so many?' We will be focusing on how sound travels; where sound goes when it's been made; how our ears work and the pitch and volume of sound. The children will then be researching who invented the first telephone and creating their own musical instrument to use.

## **Computing:**

Our next computing topic is 'Creating Media: Audio editing.' This half term we will examine devices capable of recording digital audio. Then we will use a digital device to record sound and edit the recording. By the end of the topic we will be using these new skills to create a Podcast based on our learning in our History Topic.

## **Art**

Our new topic is based on Charles Keeping's illustrations. We will be looking at a range of Keeping's art work and begin by experimenting with his style using a range of different sketching tools including; pencils, pastels and markers. We will then experiment with creating collages before designing a final collage inspired by Keeping.