



June 2021

Dear Parents and carers,

Welcome to the final half term of Year 4! We're excited to get stuck into some interesting teaching and learning with the children, as well as preparing them for their transition into Year 5.

Here are our topics for these final weeks:

**English:** Poetry: We will be studying poems from 'Dancing in the Rain' by John Lyons.

**Maths:** Money, Position and Direction, Statistics

**Science:** 'All living things' – This will involve learning about different animals and plants and thinking about how they are suited to their habitat. Some of this content was covered as remote learning earlier in the year.

**History:** Continuation of 'Alexander the Great,' making links to previous learning about ancient civilisations.

**Geography:** 'Earthquakes', followed by 'Coastal Processes'.

**Music:** 'Living Together.' This unit includes listening, singing and composition.

**ICT:** This half term, we will be doing some typing lessons with the children, as well as a simple coding project.

**PE:** Dance – all children will learn and perform a routine for the summer performance of A Midsummer Night's Dream.

**PSHE:** This half term, all classes will complete three lessons around relationships and health education, and three lessons around drugs and alcohol education. These lessons teach children about some very important aspects of the curriculum, such as maintaining a healthy body, knowing about their bodies and how they change during puberty, and staying safe. At Coleridge, we have been teaching children about these subjects for many years, so there is no change to our curriculum, although relationships education is now a statutory part of the curriculum for all primary schools as of September 2020.

To see the breakdown and content of these lessons, please visit our website pages:

[Relationships & Sex Education - Coleridge Primary School](#),

[Drug & Alcohol Education - Coleridge Primary School](#)

If you have any further questions about these lessons, please speak to your child's class teacher as a first port of call.

**Year 5 transition:** This half term, we will also be working with the children to help to prepare them for the transition to Year 5. As always, the children will get an opportunity to meet their new teacher and

have a story session with them. Prior to this, teachers will be talking to the children about preparing for change and what they can look forward to next year.

### **Dates for diaries**

Thursday 24th June - dress rehearsals for class dances for the school performance of Midsummer Night's Dream

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June – class photos

Wednesday 30th June - we plan to film class dances and there will be a willing Year 6 children as an audience to cheer the children on

Monday 28th and Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> - Year 6 dress rehearsals

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2021 - INSET day – school closed for all children. There will be whole staff training on conscious and unconscious bias delivered by Marva Rollins OBE.

Week beginning 12<sup>th</sup> July – Healthy Living Week (more info to follow)

Parent evening meetings using School Cloud Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July and Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July – more info to follow

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July - last day of term – Toy Day - children can bring a toy into school (nothing electronic or of great sentimental value)

### **Academic year 2021-22**

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021 – INSET day

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September – children start school

Half term – Week beginning Monday 25<sup>th</sup> October

End of term – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December

**Other INSET days for 2021-22** (please note we still need to finalise the fifth INSET day)

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October: Reading INSET

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November: CLPE Phonics Session 1

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> January: CLPE Phonics Session 2

We'd like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your support this year. We have had a lovely year teaching your children!

Best wishes,  
The Year 4 team

**Headteacher Leon Choueke**

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