



June 2024

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:

Maths – We will be finishing our year with units on Money, Shape, Time, Position and Direction and Statistics. Specific objectives are available for you to view each week on Parent Hub. We also encourage children to try out the activities on the My Maths website at home, as these compliment the learning that they are doing in school. All children have completed the Multiplication Table Check. This was completed between 3rd and 14th June.

English – In English this half term, we are looking at a brand-new unit on biographies. We will be reading 'Stories for South Asian Superheroes' by Raj Kaur Khaira during this unit. Over three weeks, the children will read biographies from the book, learn about different features of biographies, conduct research for their own biography and write a biography. Our final unit in English will be a poetry unit focusing on 'My Heart is a Poem' by Mandy Coe. During the unit, the children will read a variety of poems from different authors and analyse the language used and feelings that they evoke. They will have many opportunities to perform poems and write their own poems.

Geography – We will be learning all about *Deserts*. We will be looking at how deserts are formed, what plants and animals live there, how humans have used deserts and take a closer look at the Sahara and Patagonian deserts specifically.

Science – This half-term, we are focused on *Electricity*. We will be learning what it is, how we produce it for our homes, the parts of a circuit, what are conductors and insulators, is it safe and finally, how it has changed the world.

History – In history, we will be looking at the '*Cordoba: city of light*'. This topic will be teaching us about how Islam grew outside of Arabia and why. We will learn about Abd al-Rahman's new mosque in Cordoba and how the building was inspired by Greek and Roman architecture. We will learn how it became a city of learning and art and finally, why it was known as the city of three religions.

Religion and World Views- How should we live our lives and what should inspire us?

We will be continuing on our learning from last half-term. Our learning will draw upon stories and lessons from:

Christianity (Desmond Tutu) Judaism (Moses) Islam (Malala) Sikhism (Guru Nanak)

PE – Striking and Field and Athletics

With Sports Day happening this half-term, we will be using our learning to improve skills in striking and fielding as well as athletics. During PE lessons with the class teacher, children will complete a dance unit on the Haka.

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Computing- Collaborative Learning

These lessons will involve understanding that software can be used online to work collaboratively. Children will contribute to someone else's work and create effective presentations using Google PowerPoint.

Music – Lean On Me

This half term we will use musical language to describe soul/gospel music. We will identify key characteristics and learn to sing and perform 'Lean on Me' by Bill Withers including two-part harmony in the chorus and outro.

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.

Year 4 Class Picnic in Finsbury Park- Thursday 18th July

We will be rounding off our year with a trip to Finsbury Park. All parents and carers are welcome to join. More information will be sent home closer to the time.

Dates for your diaries:

Saturday 29th June – Summer Fair

Monday 1st July – Friday 5th July – Healthy Living Week

Thursday 4th July – Sports Day

Wednesday 17th July – Parents evening (in-person)

Wednesday 24th July – Last day of term

Finally, we'd like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your support this year. We have had a brilliant year teaching your children and feel they should be very proud of their achievements this year.

Best wishes,
The Year 4 team.

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