



Our topic this half term is ...

Water, Water Everywhere

English - This half term the children will be focusing on narratives. The Water Horse by Dick King-Smith will be read, and the plot structure will be utilized to create their own based on it. The children will also be introducing metaphors and similes to their writing. The children will then explore poems with a structure, analysing examples and gathering key features. They will then write their own Haikus based on water using senses to influence descriptions.

Science - In science this half term, the focus is the 3 States of Matter. The children will be investigating, comparing and grouping materials according to whether they are solids, liquids or gases. Investigations based on their properties will practically engage children as they learn. The children will also learn all about water and the water cycle. This includes a visit in school from united utilities where the children will learn many interesting facts!

Reminder - Year 4 school trip will take place on **Thursday 28th April**. Please can children come to school with a packed lunch and wear sports clothing.

Maths - In maths this half term the children will learn: Bonds to 10, 100, 1000 and then move onto tenths and hundredths. Children will develop their understanding of pounds and pence. This is the first time they are introduced to decimal notation for money. Once children are confident with this, they can move on to convert between different units of money. Children will then learn to tell the time to the nearest 5 minutes on an analogue clock and focus on the language of "past" and "to". Finally, as always practising our times table up 12 with super movers and games. *Reminder* Times Tables Check will take place in June.

R.E. - During this half term the children will be learning all about places of worship. Answering the question: if all churches are the same? Then to further develop the children's understanding of places of worship, faiths other than Christianity e.g. Islam, Sikhism, Hinduism etc shall be explored. Class worships will take place on Tuesdays and be led by the children. Whole school worship will continue to take place in the mornings and will link with our school values.

P.E. - The children will have PE on both **Monday** and **Wednesday** afternoons. Please make sure they wear **full PE kits** to school. This should include: White T-Shirt, Black shorts for boys or girls (leggings or jogging bottoms may be worn where it is a cultural requirement) Black pumps for indoor P.E. Trainers for Outdoor P.E.

Reminders - Please remember PE kits are to be worn on PE days.

UNIFORM reminder that full school uniform is required and children must be dressed smartly.

Please ensure children are reading at home, practising spellings and completing their homework.