

# Half –term Curriculum Overview



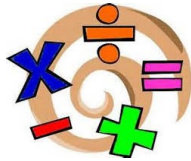
Year 4 Summer 1 - 2021

## Mathematics

This half term, we will be learning more about:

- identifying patterns in numbers sequences and trying to create rules for their own
- consolidating written methods and mental strategies.

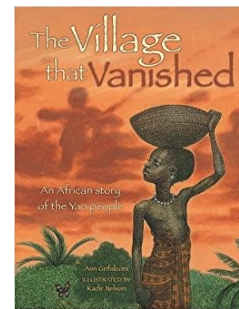
In preparation for Year 5, children will also consolidate skills for reflection and presenting data.



## English

During this half term, Year 4 will be learning about the slave trade through the eyes of a young African girl, Abikanile.

We will be using the knowledge gained from our history topic to describe emotions, infer and deduce character actions and create our own narrative versions of 'The Village That Vanished'.



## Science

### Habitats

This half term, children will learn more about how our actions affect the environment and how we can protect it.

Furthermore, the children will investigate vertebrates and invertebrates, branching databases and animals facing imminent extinction.



## Homework

Year 4 homework is all about consolidating what we have learned in the classroom and, on occasion, investigating other ideas or facts independently.

This half term homework will follow the same pattern as in the previous term. Year 4 will spend 30 minutes working on a variety of tasks, mainly Maths, English and Verbal Reasoning. Children are expected to do some sort of times table revision each night based on their table for that week.

## Humanities and Arts

History: Children will learn all about the slave trade. We will discover how the British Empire helped drive the trade and who helped end slavery.

RE: Children will look at how faith has changed people, starting with the song 'Amazing Grace', which is based on the slave trade.

PSHE: Linking with our history topic, children will learn about civil rights through our *Freedom and Justice* unit.

Art: Children will study and create artwork based on the artist Louis Comfort Tiffany.



## Music

Year 4 will rehearse as the 'Rebutia Cast' to prepare a socially-distanced video performance of "Could You Hug a Cactus?" based on the poems of Phillip Van Wagoner, by special arrangement with Beat by Beat Press.

## Computing

This half term, children will be exploring the topic of *Digital Media* (animation). They will select, use and combine a variety of software to design and create content that accomplishes given goals.

Using Wallace and Gromit as inspiration, children will use software to create their own stop animation.

## French

Continued learning through listening, speaking, reading and writing (and singing)!

This half term's topic is about simple ailments and what the doctor may recommend for them. The pupils will do role plays as doctor and patient.

## Physical Education

Athletics

Kwick Cricket

## Key Dates

TBC



The door is always open or you could contact me using the class email address.

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