

The Year 4 theme until half term is

States of Matter

English

This half term our narrative will be based around the exciting book by Alex Bell - The Polar Bear Explorer Club. In our non-fiction writing we will be discovering and writing about the explorer Shackleton and his attempt to reach the South Pole.

Each class has borrowed new set of books from Airedale Library for us to dip into whenever we wish!

Maths

We will be having weekly Two Minute Mental Maths Challenges and an extra focus on multiplication tables.

Our Maths this half term will cover: Place value, multiplication, fractions and decimals, data handling, area and perimeter, measures and geometry.

Enrichment - After lunch on Thursday, Year 4 pupils will be involved in a whole afternoon of activities designed to enrich the curriculum. Each class will take turns at all activities over the course of the year.

Y4 Dragon- PE/Guitars

Y4 Unicorn- Guitars/PE

Y4 Griffin- Music/PE

Y4 Phoenix- PE/Music

PE Days-

All classes will complete their PE sessions on Thursdays.

We do suggest that PE kit be in school all week in case of any changes to PE days.

Science - Our science topic this half term is States of Matter where we will be exploring solids, liquids and gases and learning about the water cycle. We will be asking the Big Question "Where do puddles go?"

Music - This half terms learning is focused around the song Lean on Me by Bill Withers.

Languages - This half term the French unit we are learning in "On mange." This is where we will be learning about food and shopping.

RE - This half term in RE we will be thinking about why festivals are important to religious communities.

Art & Design - The art and design this term is inspired by the rainforest. Children will learn to mix colours with paint. We will have a focus on the artist *Rousseau* and the children will try to create his famous jungle picture.