

English

This half-term, children will be exploring fables as part of their fiction. Children will learn why fables are important in some cultures and how fables have been passed on through generations of storytelling.

Moreover, we will be covering the *Mystery of Harris Burdick* by Chris Van Allsburg.

In this sequence children will explore the illustrations and create mystery setting with descriptions using a variety of grammatical and authorial tools. By the end of this unit, the children will be able to understand mystery stories, diary entries, dialogue, captions and titles.

PE

In PE this half-term, children will be learning fine motor skills that will help them reinforce their teamwork skills with their peers.

DT

Children will be using their creative skills to design alarms. They will look at variety of alarm systems and consider use. Children will draw and annotate an alarm system for a purpose of their choosing. They will evaluate their own design and share their ideas with their peers.

Half Term Curriculum Overview

Year 3 & 4 Autumn 1 - 2019

Theme: **MORALS** -We will ensure that Islamic knowledge is incorporated into the curriculum insha'Allah.

Mathematics

This half-term, children will be learning a range of different topic in Maths. This half-term will see more focus on word based topics and this will be important to get the children used to this style of questioning and the reasoning used to answer them.

Some of the topics will include:

- Number and Place Value - this half-term children will be looking at ordering numbers up to a 1000 and will learn the place value of four digit numbers.
- Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication and Division - children will be learning advanced and efficient methods of using all four operations when they solve sums and word problems.

Computer Science

Children will be looking at the importance of safety online (computers, phones and tablets) and how to stay safe while enjoying the benefits of using technology. Children will also cover word processing, by learning different tools of how to use the computer.

Science

This half-term, children will be exploring how light plays an important role in our lives. Children will be investigating how light can be used to reflect off different surfaces. Also, children will look at how light can be used to create shadows using opaque objects. Moreover, children will explore how to change the size of shadows.

History

Children will be learning about Anglo-Saxons, Picts and Scots. Children will be learning about what an archaeologist does. They will explore the life of Anglo-Saxon and create a timeline of life in Britain at that time. Children will consider the difference between invade and settle. They will learn about historians and how they make assumption and research.

Homework

Children will receive homework on Thursday and they will need to make sure that they bring it back the following Tuesday. The homework will be reinforcement of the topics learnt during that week.