

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

To begin the year we will be looking at the importance of the Bible. We will study the Old Testament, specifically looking at stories of Abraham, We will reflect on what we can learn from these stories and how the virtues of faith, hope and love help them to be a good neighbour. Following this, we will consider how the lives of their communities could be transformed by said virtues.

## **LITERACY**

During the first half term we will be studying our class novel, 'The King who banned the dark'. This text explores the concept of fear, and how we are able to overcome fears and help others. In relation to the text, children will be writing a persuasive letter to the King, asking for the ban to be overturned. Furthermore, children will be writing a newspaper article about the Kings decisions and the impact it has had on his kingdom!

*Please read daily with your child and comment in their reading record.  
Spellings will be set every Friday and tested on the following Friday  
please help your child to learn the spellings set.*

## **NUMERACY**

This half term's unit we will begin our focus on number. We will look at the different representations of numbers up to 10,000 and different methods of partitioning them. We will follow this by counting and ordering up to and beyond 1000. In addition to this, we will be estimating numbers up to 10,000 on a number line. To complete the half term we will be rounding to the nearest 10,100 and 1000.

*In Year 4, Children will be completing a Multiplication Check that focuses on all times tables up to the 12x table. In the Autumn term, children will be assigned Times Tables on Times Table Rockstars.*

## **HISTORY - The Tudors**

In this unit children learn about the Tudors through the story of Henry VIII and the War of the Roses. They develop their ability to use written and pictorial sources by studying Henry VIII. To do further research on the Tudors, visit the library or an internet site.

## **SCIENCE- Animals including humans**

The children will learn about a variety of animals that are categorised as carnivores, herbivores and omnivores and learn how to put them into food chains. They will also recap ideas on types of teeth and learn about the organs and the process involved in digestion.

## **Computing**

In Computing Year 4 will be using the software '2Animate' on PurpleMash. Children will use traditional animations methods and learn techniques such as onion skinning, backgrounds and the addition of sound. Children will end the topic with the production of their own digital 2D animation.

## **Music**

This half term, Year 4 will be learning the song Mamma Mia. They will begin by learning to sing the song, followed by playing the song on xylophones.

## **PE**

### **Hockey**

Year 4 will be learning to develop their dribbling and attacking skills. In addition to this, they will be learning to apply their attacking skills to find space and score goals.

### **Fitness**

Year 4 will be learning to develop their speed, strength, coordination and stamina. They will be taught different fitness training methods which will help them gain an understanding of what their bodies can do!

*Mr Lynam*