

Welcome to Life in Year 4 – Autumn Term 2nd Half 2025

We are Mr Monaghan, Miss Sagar and Mrs Buckley, we are the Year 4 teachers. We are here to guide and support your child's time in Year 4. You will find below an overview of each subject for this half term. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask via the class emails.

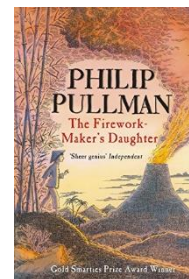
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In the curriculum, children are encouraged to:

- Be honest
- Be kind
- Be creative
- Be curious
- Be resilient
- Be ambitious

English

We study a book called 'The Firework Maker's Daughter'. This book has a fantasy theme, which the children explore in detail before writing a story of their own. This is followed by a debate unit. Our starting point is the poem: My Mother Saw a Dancing Bear. To round the half term off we look at poems with a structure e.g. Haiku



Maths

During this half term, we look at:

ONGOING - Recall multiplication and division facts for multiplication tables up to 12×12 .

Multiplication
Division
Time
3-D Shape



Science – Electricity

Throughout this unit, the children construct simple circuits and name basic parts of the circuit. They learn to modify faulty circuits and understand diagrams can represent circuits.

The children are able to identifying common appliances that run on electricity (mains or battery) and think very carefully about electrical safety.



Computing – iCompute – Unit: iProgram

Developing computational thinking and creating programs with Scratch. The children learn simple Algorithms and learn to give and follow a list of commands.



Design Technology - Project Focus: Electrical Systems

During this theme, we will explore ICT and electrical systems, looking closely at control and electrical components.

Evaluating existing Products e.g. buzzers, lights used for different purposes

Designing a product of their own

Making and Evaluating a light for a specific purpose.

FINAL OUTCOME: Light using an electrical circuit



Music - Jazz

The children will be exploring some of the different styles of Jazz music e.g. ragtime, Dixieland and scat.

They will listen to, learn and clap syncopated rhythms.

The children will compose and improve music in the Jazz style.

We will also be rehearsing for our Christmas Production.



PE

The children have a PE / swimming session and a games session each week.

In PE this half term 4M will be carrying out Gymnastic style activities which focus on balancing, travelling and jumping sequences whilst 4S will go swimming.

Our PE focus this term will be Invasion Games Skills.

In our session we will continue to develop the throwing and catching skills needed to play Basketball. There will be many opportunities for small games throughout the half term.

History - Tudors

This half term we will be learning all about the Tudors. We will be learning about the impact Henry VIII and Elizabeth I had.

PSHE - (Jigsaw)

Theme: Celebrating Differences

We explore our similarities and differences and look at all the ways in which we can work together as a team. We look at ways in which we can resolve conflict and learn to talk things through. We focus on celebrating one another.



RE - Christianity (God)

We are learning to understand the what the Bible means to Christians. We will explore the different types of writing within the Bible and look at what influences them.



MFL - French - Led by Mr Hope

Lessons during this half term will cover the following themes:

A' L'office de Tourisme

Au Café

La Cuisine

