Year 4
Topic 1

English – Reading and Writing

In our reading lessons, we will be studying the book The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane alongside non-fiction books and poems too. In our writing lessons, we will be writing a wishing tale based around Aladdin before beginning a non-fiction unit on formal letter writing.

Maths

In our maths lessons, we will be learning about place value. We will use our understanding of place value to support us in the following unit of addition and subtraction. Across both of these units, we will be using a range of different resources to help us to show our understanding.

Science

Living things and their habitats will be our topic this half term. We will explore how living things can be grouped and organised and the role of classification keys to help with this too. We will also explore the school environment to help us deepen our understanding.

Geography

This half term, we will be studying the geography of Europe. We will be using maps, atlases and the 8 compass points to name and locate human and physical features in Poland, Italy, The Netherlands and Russia.

Art and Design

In art and design, we will focus on the famous artist Maya Freelon and explore how she uses tissue paper and the drip effect to create a range of artwork. We will then get the chance to use her techniques in our very own piece of artwork.

Computing

In our computing lessons this half term, we will be learning about the Internet. We will learn about the connections involved in connecting networks, how to access information safely and what is reliable and unreliable content.

R.E.

This half term, we will be exploring the beliefs of Hindus and the roles of the various gods and goddesses. We will also explore the festival of Diwali and learn about what it represents along with the famous story of Rama and Sita.

P.S.H.E.

Throughout Jigsaw lessons, our first unit is called Being Me. We will learn to consider what it means to be part of a community, the roles of various members within these and also the how attitudes and behaviours of people can affect various communities.

P.E.

This half term, we will be developing a variety of ball skills without the restrictions of specific rules related to well-known games. We will develop accuracy and consistency when tracking a ball, explore a variety of throwing techniques and learn to select the appropriate throw for the situation. In our fitness lessons, we will develop different areas of our health and fitness.

Music

In our music lessons, we will explore the genre of pop music. We will learn ABBA's Mamma Mia and accompany it with recorders and glockenspiels. We will continue to develop our improvisation, composition and performance skills.

M.F.L.

In our German lessons, we will recall numbers 1-21, days of the week and months of the year. We will learn simple greetings, how to ask and answer where someone lives and explore vocabulary for areas of a school and classroom objects.