

## English

In English this half term, we will spend the first few weeks learning the skills required to write a factual report. The children will learn how to recognise and use reporting language; identify and use factual information in their sentences and ensure their sentences are punctuated correctly. They will then use their skills to write a factual report on an endangered animal of their choice.

For our final English topic, the children will be debating the topic 'Should all cars be electric?' and writing a persuasive text expressing their views. The children will learn how to recognise and use persuasive language; using effective connectives as sentence openers and write an effective conclusion.

## Maths

In maths, we will begin by revising what we have previously learnt this year in preparation for the children's final assessments. The children will revise how to solve word problems; fractions; and the core operations.

During this period of time, we will also be focusing on the final revision and preparation for the Year 4 Multiplication Check, which takes place in the last two weeks of June. Please can you encourage your child to practise their times tables at home.

Towards the end of the term, the children will learn about data handling where they will learn how to interpret graphs, as well as shape and symmetry.

## Science

This half term, we will further develop our knowledge of living things and their habitats. We will explore examples of human impacts, both positive and negative, on the local habitats and the negative effect of population and development. We will also consider how changes to the environments can pose a danger to living things. To support our understanding, we will watch the BBC documentary Protecting Primates <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m000j4x0> and present our findings in writing.



## Endangered Animals



## Topic

**Geography**—This term we will continue to have a look at our planet and all the things we can do to keep this planet safe for everyone. For geography, we will focus on physical and human geography. We will look at the differences of living in a city compared with living in a village.

**D&T**— In D&T this half term, we will make an animal mask linked to our English report on endangered animals. The children will be designing, making and evaluating their designs. Once all of our masks are complete we will have an animal parade to show off our designs.

## Curriculum Newsletter—Summer 2

### How can we influence the future of our planet?

**P.E:** Striking and fielding: cricket and rounders

**Homework:** English, Maths & Topic work. Keep practising your spellings from the year 4 list and your times tables.

## Suggested books to read

What A Waste—Jess French

Marli's Tangled Tale—Elle Jackson

[https://www.friendlyturtle.com/gifts-for-children/environmental-childrens-book-series/?attribute\\_pa\\_book=marlis-tangled-tale&dTribesID=7dd682d0dc1012b5b4f095f6b2b2e53d%7Cadtribes%7C13178&utm\\_source=Google%20Shopping&utm\\_campaign=All%20Prod-ucts&utm\\_medium=cpc&utm\\_term=13178&gclid=ElAlQobChMIImoKazZnC6QIVVe7tCh3i0gFBEAQYASA](https://www.friendlyturtle.com/gifts-for-children/environmental-childrens-book-series/?attribute_pa_book=marlis-tangled-tale&dTribesID=7dd682d0dc1012b5b4f095f6b2b2e53d%7Cadtribes%7C13178&utm_source=Google%20Shopping&utm_campaign=All%20Prod-ucts&utm_medium=cpc&utm_term=13178&gclid=ElAlQobChMIImoKazZnC6QIVVe7tCh3i0gFBEAQYASA)

## RE

This half-term we are learning about Islam. Can you research the significance and importance of the 5 pillars of Islam?

## PSHE

We will focus on healthy eating and the benefits this has, not just to our bodies, but to our minds as well. Can you make a list of all the superfoods that you like to eat that are good for you?

## French

This term, we will focus on birthday celebrations. We will learn the days of the week and the months, so that we can say in French when our birthdays are.

## Trips

Science Museum (July 2022)

### Suggested places to visit

<https://www.theguardian.com/travel/2020/apr/06/10-best-virtual-tours-of-worlds-natural-wonders-everest-patagonia-grand-canyon-yosemite—this-is-a-virtual-tour>

### Suggested websites to visit

<https://friendsoftheearth.uk/natural-resources/7-benefits-recycling>

## Computing

In computing, the children will learn how to use Excel to input data into a spreadsheet. They will learn how to order and edit their data and use Excel formulas to carry out certain mathematical problems.

## Music

Children will be learning to play a woodwind instrument during the summer term. They will have the opportunity to learn and perform in either the clarinet or saxophone.