

Year 4 Spring 2 Half Termly Curriculum Overview

Together we Grow

 <p>English</p>	<p>Leon and the Place Between Parallel Narrative Newspaper report</p> <p>This half term, we will be reading <i>Leon and the place between</i>, a beautifully illustrated children’s book about a boy named Leon who visits a magical fair. While his friends enjoy the rides, Leon is drawn to a mysterious magician who transports him to a shadowy world called “the Place Between.” The children will explore the story in detail and develop their writing skills by planning and writing a parallel narrative and a newspaper report linked to the text.</p>	 <p>Maths</p>	<p>Area</p> <p>Pupils learn to cover shapes with square units (e.g. cm²) and count how many squares fit inside to determine area. They begin to use multiplication ideas (length × width) implicitly, especially with regular rectangular shapes, to support understanding — often taught after counting squares.</p> <p>Fractions</p> <p>In Year 4, children extend their understanding of fractions beyond simple halves and quarters. They learn to:</p>	 <p>Science</p>	<p>Animals including humans</p> <p>Children will be able to describe the functional parts of the human digestive system. Identify teeth and their purposes whilst also constructing food chains including predators, prey and producers.</p>
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 Geography	Earthquakes In Year 4, children learn about earthquakes as part of their geography work. This helps them understand how the Earth changes naturally and why events like earthquakes happen. Pupils learn that earthquakes are caused by movements deep underground, where large sections of the Earth's	 R.E.	Why is Jesus inspiring to some people? will learn in depth from Christianity, exploring different reasons why Jesus is considered an inspiring figure by Christians – and by many other people too.	 PHSE	Healthy Me In the Healthy Me unit, taught through the Jigsaw PSHE programme, children learn about how to look after their bodies and minds and make healthy choices. They explore topics such as keeping their bodies healthy,

	<p>surface move against each other. They also explore where earthquakes happen in the world and how they can affect people, buildings and the environment. This topic helps children build map skills, use new geographical vocabulary and develop a better understanding of the world they live in.</p>				<p>understanding what makes a balanced lifestyle, staying safe, and managing different feelings. The lessons also help children learn how to make safe and responsible decisions and where to get help if they are worried about themselves or others. This unit supports children in developing confidence, resilience and an understanding of how to stay healthy as they grow.</p>
 <p>PE</p>	<p>Attacking and defending In this P.E. unit, children will develop their understanding of attacking and defending principles through a range of team games and activities. They will learn how to maintain possession, create space, support teammates, and apply basic tactics when attacking, as well as how to</p>	 <p>Design Technology</p>	<p>Electrics – Building a simple circuit and night lamp In this DT unit, children will recap the basics of simple electrical circuits from science and apply their knowledge to design and make their own</p>	 <p>Spanish</p>	<p>Names of wild animals and their habitats. Writing in short paragraphs. 1 – 100 counting</p>

	mark opponents, intercept, and work together to defend effectively.		night lamp. They will explore components such as bulbs/LEDs, wires, switches, and batteries, and understand how a circuit works to power a light safely.		
 Music	Children will continue their Ukulele lessons with a focus on learning songs with links to various areas of our curriculum				
 Reading	<p>The Power of Reading Please read to your child every night.</p> <p>Children have a reading book and should read each night to an adult.</p>	 Times Tables Rock Stars	All children have a TTRS log in – they can practise their timetables on a mobile device or computer.	 Visitor	Linked to their English text, the children will have a visitor from ‘Circus Skills’ to gain a further insight into the setting of this wonderful novel.

