

### English

The class will read poetry, narrative and information texts during this topic. They will identify the features of each text type and produce their own piece of writing in that style. In grammar we will study possessive apostrophes and fronted adverbials. There will be a continued focus on reading skills and spellings at school and home.

### RE and PSHCE

The children will explore the question 'What kind of world did Jesus want?' We will identify the qualities Jesus' followers had and read some Bible stories about how Jesus behaved. In PSHCE, we will take part in Commando Joes.

### History

This topic will compare the similarities and differences between crime and punishments during different eras. They will look at the Anglo-Saxons, Middle Ages, Victorians and modern day. They will understand how our knowledge of the past is constructed from a range of sources and which sources are reliable. They will consider the difference between fact and opinion.

### Science

Our science topic is 'States of Matter' and children will be comparing and grouping materials according to whether they are solids, liquids or gas. They will observe how materials change state when they are heated or cooled. Children will also learn how evaporation and condensation play a part in the water cycle.

## Crime and Punishment

Year 4 Spring Term 2021

### Art and DT

In art we will be discussing how the police often rely on witness descriptions when looking for suspects. Using their observational and sketching skills children will have to work as police sketch artists to produce a replica of a given description. Children will also produce portraits of a famous historical criminal.

### Maths

In Maths we will continue our work with multiplication and division. We will complete our mastery of times tables by doing the 7, 9, 11 and 12 tables. We will also do formal written methods for multiplication and division learning to apply these strategies to reasoning problems. At the end of the term we will begin working on fractions and decimals.

### French and Music

French will continue to be taught by a subject specialist with an emphasis on developing a good knowledge of phonics. Music will be taught using Purple Mash this term and children will experiment with rhythm and tempo, create melodic phrase and electronically compose a piece of music.

### Computing

The children will study coding using both Purple Mash and Scratch. They will explore program design, use flowcharts for design of algorithms, including selection, and learn about and use computational thinking terms; decomposition and abstraction.

### PE

This half term the children will be practising skills to play football including dribbling and shooting.