Adventures around Europe

Our main focuses are:

- To know key countries in Europe and identify some cities that you will find within them.
- Looking at maps, atlases and globes to gain a deeper understanding of Europe, especially Eastern Europe.
- To look at art from around the world and perspective art.

Our theme will last for: 7 weeks

English:

We will be starting the half term off with Poetry week! We will be looking at different types of poetry, and sharing our opinions on them before writing our own.

For the remainder of the half term, we will be looking at the book 'Atlas of Adventures' and looking at all the amazing places to visit around Europe. We will be working to then create our own information texts about different European cities and collating them into our own 'Atlas of Europe' book.



Mathematics

This half term, we will learning how to read analogue and digital clocks. We will learn how to convert between times such as between seconds and minutes or minutes and hours.

As we develop our understanding of position, we will need to be able to plot points and describe position on grids; we need to use coordinates to do this so we will be practising using coordinates too.

We will also be recapping our knowledge of the four operations, and ensuring that we are secure in problem solving and reasoning with numbers.

Throughout the year, we have been really focusing on learning and recalling our times tables at speed. It would be wonderful if you could help your child to practise their times tables as much as possible over this half-term. Please focus on all times tables up to and including the twelve times tables and their corresponding division facts.

French

We will be continuing to teach our French lessons. This half term, the children will be "At the café," learning how to order various food and drink.

<u>Music</u>

We will be recapping our learning of the glockenspiel. We will revisit our prior learning and showcase our progress of learning the instrument.

<u>P.E.</u>

Huskies and Polar Bears will continue their swimming lessons on Mondays, whilst Arctic Foxes and Penguins learn all about athletics and the skills that are required. This will be until 13th May when the classes swap for swimming.

RF

This half-term, we will be looking at Christianity. We will thinking about why faith is important to Christians and how their faith helps them to decide what is right or wrong.

Geography

The children are going to travel around the world, discovering many new and exciting countries, especially in Eastern Europe. We will be exploring landscapes, climate and the human impact in different cities. Gaining an understanding of where we are in the world will be a key part of our topic.

Science

We will be exploring how different sounds are produced. We will describe how they are made and be able to recognise difference in vibrations. We will also investigate the impact of distance on sound.

Computing

For Computing, we will be researching Eastern Europe and creating a presentation. Our main focus will be learning how to add hyperlinks into our presentations. We will use our prior learning about Search Engines to help us conduct the research. We will then present our findings using a programme of our choosing to the class.

Personal, Social, Health, and Education (P.S.H.E.)

Carrying on with our whole school theme of 'No Outsiders in Our School', this term we will exploring the book *When Sadness Comes to Call* by Eva Eland.

In our P.S.H.E. lessons, we will be looking at our communities and how we can have a positive relationship with them.





Important dates:

WB 8th April—Poetry Week
WB 8th April—Aspirations Week
Friday 12th April—Wonder Day
WB 15th April—Science and Engineering Week
Wednesday 1st May—4MB Family showcase
WB 13th May—Mental Health Awareness
Week
WB 20th May—Map Skills Week

Home learning:

We will continue to upload a Mathematics, English and times tables homework each week on Seesaw.

Please spend 15 minutes, as a minimum, reading with your child every day. We encourage Year 4 children to gain some independence so we do encourage your child to write in their Reading Journal themselves.

Art

In Art this half term, we will be researching artists from around Europe, before choosing our favourite artist and creating our own piece based on their style.

Behaviour & Safety:

This term we will be learning about our own identity. This links to our British Value of 'Individual Liberty'.