

Year 4 Curriculum Letter - Spring Half Term 2 - 2026

Our theme for Spring 2 is:

Shocking Mysteries



Our theme will last for:

The theme will last for 5 weeks.

French

Bonjour! We are going to be looking at 'Our Homes' (Chez moi). We will be learning how to say where we live and what rooms are in our homes. We will be practising our speaking and listening and building sentences using sentence stems.

Physical, Social, Health and Economics. (P.S.H.E.)

Carrying on with our whole school theme 'No Outsiders in our School', this half term we will be exploring the book 'Aalfred and Aalbert' by Morag Hood. This will help us to consider how we can find common ground with others. In our P.S.H.E. lessons, we will be looking at how we can keep ourselves healthy.

Behaviour & Safety:

This half term we will be learning about electrical safety alongside our Science unit on electricity.

Dates for your diary:

Monday 23rd February—Swimming for Polar Bears and Penguins.

Monday 23rd February—Wondernoon

Thursday 5th March—World Book Day

Wednesday 4th March—Huskies Family Assembly

Friday 20th March—Comic Relief

W/B/ 23rd March—Cyber Security workshop/VR

Friday 27th March—First Aid Day

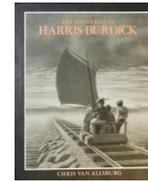
P.E.

This half term, in P.E, we will be focusing on our dance skills. We will be looking at how we can create rhythmic sequences with our bodies in time with music. The Polar Bears and Penguins will also be starting swimming from Monday 23rd February. Please could you ensure that children bring in their P.E. kits at the beginning of the week and swimming kits if necessary.

English:

Who is Harris Burdick? For more than 25 years, the puzzling mystery of this enigmatic illustrator has plagued the publishing and literary world. We will be channelling our inner Agatha Christie as we become amazing mystery writers this half term! Will our sleuths be up to the job of solving a mysterious crime?

We will focus on learning all about fronted adverbials and how these can up-level our sentence writing. We will also be working on our understanding, and effective use of, paragraphs. We will be showcasing our understanding of these through writing a narrative and a balance argument. We will be writing balanced arguments about whether the pictures should have been published or whether we should have left them out of respect for the illustrator.



Science

Buzz!! Some electrifying learning coming your way! This half-term, we're going to start by exploring what appliances run on electricity. Then we will look more in detail at how circuits work by conducting experiments to see what affects a bulb lighting. Finally, we'll be exploring what makes a good insulator and conductor and why this is.



Computing

This half term, we will be learning how to design, write and debug programs. Also, we will explain how algorithms work. We will be coding a 'Shocking Mysteries' themed conversation on Scratch using these skills!



British Values:

This half-term, our focus will be on Tolerance of Others.

Shared home learning:

Please spend 15-20 minutes, as a minimum, reading with your child everyday and please ensure that they complete their reading journal in this time. This should be completed every day and there is an example of what is expected in the front of your child's journal.

Optional homework is set on Seesaw every week, should you wish to do some work at home. As always, a focus on times tables is great at home. We will be sending out your Half Term spellings also to practise.

Mathematics:

During Mathematics this half term, we will continue to explore division using our place value knowledge.

We will then be starting our Investigating Statistics unit, where we will be looking at skills such as sorting data and creating line, bar and time graphs.

As the term goes on, we will then be looking at exploring change which will involve a focus on time. We will learn about how to solve problems around converting time between digital and analogue.

Year 4 will be continuing to have a huge push on their times tables and will be focusing on different times tables every week to secure children's knowledge of this. We recommend pupils use their Times Tables Rock stars accounts regularly - please see your child's class teacher if they need a reminder of their log in details!

Religious Education

In RE this half term, we will be continuing our learning on religious communities within our local environment. We will be exploring how the religious communities of Leicester compare to that of the UK.

Music

Pupils will be playing the djembe drums. Pupils will be learning how to follow rhythms and learning how to use their hands to create different sounds.

Art

In Art, we will be developing our photography skills! Our main aim is to use photography to create a piece of art work and to use an image to inspire our creations. We will be basing these on the 'Mysteries of Harris Burdick'.

