



Hazelbury Primary School

# Year 4 Newsletter Summer One 2024

## Year 4 Learning Experiences



The children in Year 4 have enjoyed some fantastic learning during the Spring term. In Victoria class, we loved getting to read with our Year 1 buddies on World Book Day. The pupils in Elizabeth class enjoyed exploring the grounds of Mountfitchet Castle during their Anglo-Saxons trip. In Piccadilly class, the children have can be seen taking part in lots of fantastic learning, including practical maths lessons and a visit from a rap artist on World Book Day. In Jubilee class, the children loved listening to our head teacher Laura, reading a story in the school library on World Book Day.

### What will your child be learning about this half term?

In **English** we will be reading:

- *Wild Robots* by Peter Brown
- *Tales from the Inner City* by Shaun Tan
- *Aladdin and the Enchanted Lamp* by Phillip Pullman

We will be writing in different genres including narrative, letter, and interview, and will be focusing on learning the following grammar rules – nouns and pronouns, apostrophes for plural and possessive, alliteration, expanded noun phrases, adverbs, and persuasive techniques.

In **maths** we will be focusing on revising our times tables, converting between mixed and improper fractions, recognising and writing decimal equivalents to  $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{3}{4}$ , converting units of measure (cm-m-km, g-kg, mls-l), comparing and calculating different measures including money, solving problems involving multiplying and dividing including scaling, reading and interpreting line graphs and reading and interpret graphs and tables.

Our topic in **science** is continuing as 'Living Things and Their Habitats'.

Our **learning quest** this half term is *What is the legacy of the Early Islamic Civilisation?* Through their **history** learning, children will learn about the importance of studying Early Islamic Civilisation in relation to its effect on western civilisation. They will unpick how the early Islamic Empire grew so quickly and understand why Baghdad was a flourishing capital city. They will show a good understanding of the importance of Islamic contribution to science, literature, medicine, art, architecture and mathematics.

In **D&T** the children will investigate and analyse a range of styles of Islamic art before following a design brief to create a prototype for a light box inspired by their research.

In **music** we will be continuing our ukulele lessons.

In **PE** we will be doing athletics and striking and fielding.

In **Religion and Worldview lessons** we will be learning about Buddhism and exploring the question: *What are the main beliefs held by Buddhists?*

In **French** we will be learning to say the names of countries and capitals in the UK and around the world.

### Key Dates for our Year Group this half term

Date	Event
16 <sup>th</sup> April	Victoria class trip to Mountfitchet Castle
17 <sup>th</sup> May	Home Learning Hand in date
17 <sup>th</sup> May	Aspiration Day
20 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 4 Forest School Experience

### Our Recommendations:

Book Recommendation:  
The Golden Horsemen of Baghdad by  
Saviour Pirotta & Freya Hartas

Website recommendation:  
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z3tg4wx>