

# Reading

This half term, we will be applying taught reading skills to answer comprehension questions in daily reading lessons. The children will continue to develop their retrieval, inference, vocabulary, prediction and explanation skills. They will also develop their ability to justify their opinion using evidence.

# Writing

In writing, the children will explore Clive King's Stig of The Dump. Our focus this term will be narratives— the children will retell this classic novel. They will also develop a range of writing and descriptive techniques to create character descriptions and setting descriptions using a range of sentence types

# Mathematics

This half term, the children will focus on Measurement: Area. They will be finding the area of rectilinear shapes by counting squares as well as a range of maths investigations. We will then be revisiting multiplication towards the end of term. Meet the Team!

Year Group Leader: Rachel Teaching Staff: Carmen, Rachel, Loren, Richard

Support Staff: Alicia, Amelie, Taliya

Stig of The Dump

# Supporting Your Child's Learning

Reading records need to be signed at least 5 times in a week. Please ensure your child logs into their Mathletics, TTRS and spag.com accounts using their login details in their reading records. Activities are set every Friday. It is important that the children learn their spelling words from MS Teams weekly, as this will really help with their reading and writing. Please check the Spring 1 Home Learning assignment on MS Teams which is the project homework for this half term. Please remember to send in your child's reading record every day.

# Year Four

# Spring 1 2022

# Science

We will be studying Living things and their habitats. The children will understand how animals are suited to their habitats, classify and group living things and recognise how and why environments change and the impact this has. The children will be pattern seeking and investigating how habitats change over time.

## History

In History we will be Rocking through the Ages! We will be exploring where, on a historical timeline, the Stone Age occurred. The children will learn about domestic life during and compare and contrast this will modern day living. We will also be discovering how we have knowledge of what life was like in the Stone Age.

#### PSHE

In PSHE this half term we will be learning about Living in the Wider World. They will be looking at The Rights of the Child, rights and responsibilities, how to resolve conflicts, the importance of community and to understand and appreciate diversity.

#### PE

Year 4 will now have dance lessons on a Monday, Cricket on Wednesday and Swimming on a Thursday (4V), Tuesday (4CH) and Friday (4CW). Children will need to come to school in their PE uniforms on Monday and Wednesday and bring their swimming kits on their swimming days.

#### Dance

During this term in dance, we are learning and creating a celebratory dance to be performed at the Lewisham Borough of Culture Schools launch. The dance combines African and Caribbean by Irie Dance Theatre.

#### Music

This half term, Year 4 children are studying music from the continent of Africa. There will be a focus on hand percussion, with both whole class and group composition and improvisation tasks.

#### French

In French this half term, the focus will be on festivals and celebrations. We'll be talking about a range of different festivals, finding out about Francophone festivals are celebrated.







#### Art

All Torridon children are learning about the diversity of London wildlife this term and their final work will be forming some large collaborative pieces to be displayed around school. Year Four are looking at the work of Alberto Giacometti and focusing on birds.

# DT

In DT lessons this half term we will be understanding the origins of sewing and will learn how to sew a running stitch. We will then create a pouch like those that were used during the Stone Age.

# RE

In RE lessons this half term we are learning about Christian places of Worship. We will understand how Christians worship, the importance of prayer and the significant places for Christians.

### Computing

This term in computing the children will learn about Photo Editing. They will understand how images are edited, recognise that not all images are real and consider when Photo editing can be useful.