



Torridon  
Primary School

### Reading

This half term, the children will continue to be explicitly taught each reading skill (Vocabulary, Inference, Prediction, Explaining, Retrieving, Summarising). They will then apply these skills to Reading Comprehension activities based on non-fiction texts and our core text 'Race to the Frozen North'.

### Writing

In writing, the children will be writing a diary entry based on the text 'Race to the Frozen North' by Catherine Johnson, before writing their own narrative piece. They will also be looking at on-chronological reports and write their own report about the Arctic.

### Mathematics

This half term, the children will focus on multiplication and reasoning. Children will identify patterns in the times tables and complete word problems where key vocabulary will need to be identified in order to choose the appropriate operation. They will learn how to represent number sentences pictorially, e.g. using arrays, bar models etc.

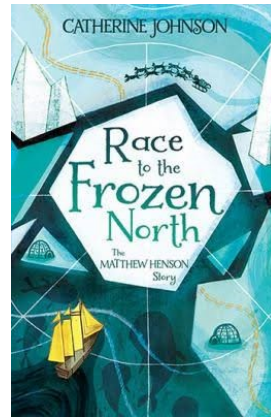
### Meet the Team!

Year Group Leader: Lizzie

Teaching Staff: Alice , Sarah and Craige, Basant  
(Trainee Teacher 4L)

Support Staff: Alicia, Amelie, and Valerie  
Michael, Patricia

## Discovering the Ice Caps



### Supporting Your Child's Learning

Please continue to read with your children daily at home. Even independent readers benefit from being read to as well as reading to an adult. Please ensure your child logs into their Mathletics, TTRS and SPAG.com accounts using the 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. Spelling test is on Tuesday, this may be subject to change during swimming weeks.

## Year Four

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### Science

We will be continuing our learning about digestive systems. This term we will be studying the digestive systems of different animals. Children will use their knowledge about different types of teeth and their functions to draw conclusions on different animals' diets. The children will also be studying and constructing food chains and discussing how human activity can impact them.

### Geography

In geography, we will be learning how to use lines of latitude and longitude to locate places on a World Map. We will be comparing the North and South Pole, which will support our writing. We will also be learning about different time zones around the World including a trip to Greenwich, the location of the Prime Meridian.

### PSHE

In PSHE lessons, we will be learning about the differences between people and how to celebrate and recognise them. We will be discussing bullying and peer pressure and we can keep ourselves and others safe by reporting it. We will reflect on how we are special and unique.

## PE

Year 4 will have dance lessons on a **Wednesday** and swimming every day for a two week period for each class. Children will need to come to school in their PE uniforms on Wednesdays and bring their swimming kits during the weeks they are swimming: Weeks 1&2 4L, Weeks 3&4 4A, Weeks 5&6 4S.

## Dance

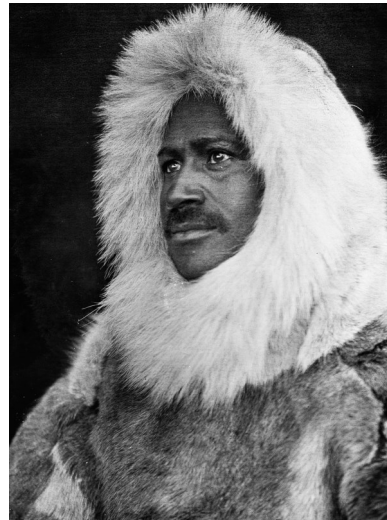
In dance this term the children will be creating motifs to accompany the theme of Discovering the Ice caps.

## Music

The children will be learning about minimalist and aleatoric (chance) techniques of composition. They will use grid notation to notate their work, and develop their group composition and interpersonal skills through whole-class and group composition tasks.

## French

In French this half term, the focus will be instruments. Children will learn to read and spell up to 10 different instruments including which determiner to use for each.



Matthew Henson—Arctic Explorer



## Art

We are learning about ethnically diverse Artists this term and celebrating the whole term's work with a Whole School Art Exhibition just before the winter holidays where you will be able to come and view the children's portraits and frames.

## DT

In DT lessons, we will be learning about the nutritional benefits of eating homemade food. We will be making homemade bread roll and practising the cooking techniques of kneading, rolling and stretching dough.

## RE

In RE lessons, the children will be learning about Sikhism. We are learning about how Sikhs show their commitment to God through practices and behaviours. The children will reflect on what they are committed to in their lives.

## Computing

This term in computing, the children will learn how to use digital devices to record sound and audio in order to make their own podcast. They will also learn how to export files so that they can be shared.