

English

Children will continue to improve their writing technique through writing into their purple books on a regular basis.

- **Mystery stories**—children will focus on mystery stories this term, looking at figurative language and atmosphere in a text.
- **Poetry**—year 4 will be exploring various different types of poems and techniques such as metaphors and personification.
- **SPAG**—Focus on the basic skills weekly spelling tests. Children will also be looking at direct speech and continue their work on word types.

Religious Education

Unit B Jesus teaches us how to pray

We will learn about Old Testament prayers, Our Father and the Rosary & Jesus' teaching about prayer.

Unit C Advent

Children will learn about the ancestors of Jesus and that he was descended from the House of David.

Unit D Christmas

Children will study the role of the angels in the story of Christmas. They will learn about we are the messengers of Christ's Good News in the world today.

Mathematics

- Children will continue to focus on quick recall of times tables and number bonds for the rest of the term. There will be a weekly focus on a specific times table with a test at the end of the week to support with weekly mental maths tests.
- Written and mental methods for the four operations.
- Fractions
- Geometry
- Data handling and time
- As ever the aim will be for children to apply the mathematics to real life contexts.

Science

- **States of Matter:** Children will be exploring the properties of solids, liquids and gases. By the end of their learning, they should be able to describe how each are made of particles and the similarities and differences between states of matter.

Art and DT

Children will be planning, designing and producing their own models of an Anglo Saxon village / settlement or home. They will work in pairs or 3's collaboratively, developing their ability to work as a team. (Please send in any cardboard boxes that the children can use.)

Who were the Anglo-Saxons?

History

The Theme until Christmas will be the Anglo Saxons. Children will learn all about what life was like for Anglo Saxons and why people invaded and settled in particular areas in Britain. They will also explore: housing, work life / jobs , what life was like for children and key events that occurred during the period of the Anglo Saxons

Music

- Miss Webber will lead singing on Thursday mornings.
- Working towards the Christmas Production.

Physical Education

- **Gymnastics** - making shapes, creating and assessing sequences, working individually and as part of a group, floor work focus.
- **Basic skills** - with and without equipment improving agility, speed, balance, strengths, teamwork and co-ordination.

ICT

We are Travel Presenters: Trip Slideshow The children create a short animated slideshow, with narration and / or music, telling the story of an educational visit.