



CHALONER PRIMARY

Year 4 Topic Letter



Art/ICT



Literacy



This half term, the Year 4 children will learn about reports. They will learn the features of reports. The children will learn to write a variety of reports. In addition, Year 4 will do work on the history of the Anglo-Saxons. They will read and listen to information about the Anglo Saxons (both fiction and non-fiction) and will then be able to speak, listen and respond to the subject in a variety of ways.

They will also continue to do weekly spelling, punctuation, grammar and handwriting work, as well as a range of reading comprehension tasks.

PSHE

In PSHE this half term, Year 4 will learn about keeping positive and commenting on the way the behaviour they choose is supporting rules. They will also learn that rules are there to keep each other safe and to enable them to listen and be listened to. Finally, they will learn why and how rules and laws are made and enforced.

R.E.



This half term, the Year 4 children will learn that the teachings in the Bible helps Christians in their lives. The children will reflect on ways in which Christian belief has made a difference to the lives of individuals. They will also learn about Moses and the Ten Commandments and their importance to Christians.

This half term's topic is: **The Anglo-Saxons**



Numeracy



In numeracy, the children will complete number work involving the four operations. They will also cover work across a range of maths topics: decimals and fractions; real-life problem solving; comparing measures; reading and writing Roman numerals; interpreting and presenting discrete and continuous data in bar charts and graphs. The children will also continue weekly skills work, mental maths work and numeracy games to help improve their mental strategies.

P.E.



This half term, Year 4 children will learn the skills necessary for competitive small sided games, (particularly bench ball and netball). In country dancing, they will learn a variety of country dances. They will dance with a partner in groups of eight.

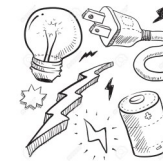
Topic



The children will learn about the Anglo Saxons. They will discuss and understand the meaning of the terms 'invaders' and 'settlers.' They will then understand how groups of Anglo-Saxons decided where to start settlements in Britain by considering both the local environment and the wider environment. The children will describe the materials and construction of Anglo-Saxon buildings. Finally, they will understand that several different tribes invaded Britannia after the Romans left in the early 5th century.

In DT, the children will be learning about Anglo-Saxon houses. They will design, construct and evaluate a model of an Anglo-Saxon building.

In ICT, the children will begin to use and understand the new 'Scratch' programming Software. They will search the Internet safely to learn about the Anglo Saxons and about their work in science on animals.



Science



In science, the children will learn about electricity. The children will construct simple circuits and draw them. They will find which materials are the best electrical conductors and use this information to make switches. They will wire plugs & find what happens to a bulb's brightness when circuits are changed. They will research scientists such as Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Edison and Michael Faraday and find out what their contribution is to our understanding of electricity.

Important dates to remember:

P.E. will be on a Tuesday and Wednesday. However, there may be opportunities for children to do P.E. outside on other days of the week, so they need to bring a P.E. kit to school every day!

Literacy, Spelling and maths homework will be given out at the end of every week. Spellings homework is due in by Tuesday of the following week and literacy and numeracy homework is due in on Thursday or Friday.