



### Last half-term, we enjoyed

Last term, the children enjoyed exploring *classic poetry* and letting their imaginations run wild through *mystery, adventure and fantasy stories*. They also developed their explanation writing skills and tackled key mathematical concepts such as *time, shape and statistics*. In science, they were fascinated by learning about *animals, muscles, skeletons and nutrition*, linking this knowledge to their understanding of how the human body works. They also enjoyed a variety of sports, from *dodgeball* to *outdoor and adventurous activities*, alongside creative projects in *art and DT*, such as making healthy snacks and creating sculptures of the human body. It was a rich and rewarding term that prepared them well for the challenges of Year 4.

### This half-term, we are looking forward to...

This half term, the children will begin their Year 4 journey with an exciting trip to the *Deva Roman Museum in Chester*, bringing history to life as they learn about the Romans. In English, they will start with a *magazine article/infographic bridging unit* before moving on to an *adventure narrative*. In maths, the focus will be on *place value* and *addition and subtraction*, building strong number fluency. Science lessons will investigate *material properties*, encouraging hands-on enquiry and exploration. In PE, the children will develop their skills in *athletics* and *target games*. Across the wider curriculum, they will enjoy *art portraits*, explore themes of *relationships* in PSHE, continue their Spanish learning, and begin studying *Hindu Dharma* in RE. It promises to be a term full of curiosity, creativity, and new discoveries.

### Key Vocabulary

- Adventure
- Narrative
- Infographic
- Place Value
- Addition
- Subtraction
- Properties
- Athletics
- Romans
- Hindu Dharma

### Home learning links

Science:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zryycdm>

History:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zqhyb9q>

Geography

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zx72pv4/a>

### Important days and dates

- We have PE on a Tuesday Afternoon and Thursday morning
- Mrs Noakes will be teaching every Tuesday.
- Spellings go home on a Friday and then are tested in school the following Friday. Please practise regularly at home as spellings are part of homework, please return the completed practice sheet on a Friday.
- Book bags and reading records need to be in school daily please
- Bug Club and Times Table Rock stars should be worked on at home
- Willow Lane open day 21<sup>st</sup> October
- Halloween disco 22<sup>nd</sup> October
- For more details on dates please visit the school website

<https://www.willow.lancs.sch.uk/>