



# **Curriculum Overview**

**Year 4**

**Spring Term 2023**



## English

### **Poetic forms - List Poems and Kennings**

**The Works 1 - 4** by Paul Cookson, Pie Corbett and Gaby Morgan.

**Stargazer** by Robert Hull.

Read and discuss poetry.

Explore descriptive language and techniques, such as similes, rhyme, and alliteration.

Understanding and using nouns, adjectives, verbs, adverbs, and prepositions.

Performing poetry.

### **Stories that Raise Issues – Rainforest Stories**

**The Great Kapok Tree** by Lynne Cherry.

**The Shaman's Apprentice** by Lynne Cherry and Mark Plotkin.

Creating expanded noun phrases by adding adjectives, nouns and prepositions.

Using and punctuating direct speech.

Using fronted adverbials and punctuating with a comma.

Using appropriate choices of pronouns or nouns.

Using paragraphs.

Act out scenes from the story and considering what happens next.

### **Persuasive Writing – Save the Rainforest!**

**Where the Forest Meets the Sea** by Jeannie Baker.

**The Vanishing Rainforest** by Richard Platt and Rupert Van Wyk.

Discuss persuasion and key structural features.

Using conjunctions, adverbs, and prepositions.

Using possessive apostrophes.

Creating expanded noun phrases by adding adjectives, adverbs, and prepositions.

Recognising features of non-fiction texts.

Comparing fiction and non-fiction texts.

### **Myths and Legends – Legends of the Sea**

**Can You Catch A Mermaid** by Jane Ray.

**The Seal Children** by Jackie Morris.

Using powerful verbs and adjectives.

Using past and present tense correctly.

Using and punctuating direct speech.

Compare and contrast stories.

Discuss and analyse characters and ideas.

## Mathematics

### **Fractions**

Unit and non-unit fractions

Equivalent fractions

Finding fractions of amounts

Adding and subtracting fractions

### **Multiplication and Division**

Times tables facts

Factors and multiples

Grid multiplication

Division with remainders

**Decimals**

Decimals to one decimal place  
 Conversion between fractions and decimals  
 Addition, subtraction, and multiplication of decimals

**Shape**

Draw circles and study polygons  
 Identify and group 3D shapes  
 Co-ordinates  
 Lines of symmetry  
 Angles

**Addition and Subtraction**

Addition and subtraction of money  
 Column addition  
 Written strategies for subtraction

**Science**

Electricity  
 States of matter

**Physical Education**

Lacrosse  
 Rugby Skills  
 Gymnastics - balance

**Religious Education**

Buddhism

**Music**

World Music  
 Listening skills  
 Performance techniques

**Humanities****Geography**

Rainforests  
 World Biomes

**Modern Foreign Languages****Spanish**

Transport and Directions  
 People and Places  
 Shopping and Money

**French**

Countries  
 Animals  
 Time

**Art & Design**

Different Painting techniques  
 Water Colours  
 Chinese Art  
 Spring/Easter Art

**PSHCEE**

Basic first aid/999  
 Healthy/respectful relationships, including online  
 Families  
 Chinese New Year  
 Friendships  
 Children's Mental Health Week  
 Keeping safe (PANTS), body parts and introduction to puberty  
 Personal space/consent  
 Respecting others including gender orientation  
 Equality – discrimination and stereotypes  
 Celebrating differences e.g., Easter and Ramadan

## Computing

Digital images – how they can be edited and changed, resaved, and reused and the impact of editing images.

Data logging – creating databases and looking at stored data to review and analyse.

Internet Safety  
Word Processing Skills



Please note that occasional changes may occur

## General Information

Please ensure that your child:

- Reads regularly at home including Oxford Reading Buddy.
- Regularly uses Mathletics at home to complete work on Maths.
- Has all uniform and kit clearly labelled as specified.
- Refers to the homework diary for completion of tasks set.

## Clubs

**Acro Dance – Mondays 3.40 to 4.40pm with Louise from HSOD**

**JiuJitsu – Tuesdays 3.40 to 4.40pm with Activity4all**

**Chess – Tuesday 3.40 to 4.50pm with Graham Carr**

**Aladdin Rehearsals – Wednesdays 3.40 to 4.30 with Mrs Keenan and Mrs Kililiku**

**STEM – Wednesday 3.40 to 4.430 with Miss Robertson**

**Football – Thursdays 3.40 to 4.40 with Activity4all**

**Drama – Fridays 3.40 to 4.30 with Joe Mann**

**Sign Language – Fridays at Lunchtime with Miss Jones**

