

# ENGLISH

This half term our text will be 'The Wonder Garden' by Jenny Broom. This is a non-fiction text so we will be developing our understanding of vocabulary, working on our retrieval skills and comprehension skills.

In writing, we will be writing a formal letter, for this we will learn to use prepositional phrases, conjunctions and formal language. We will then move on to writing a story about an imaginary world, developing our creative writing skills by learning about similes and descriptive language.



# HISTORY

The children will learn about the Early Islamic World and what impact this period of rapid expansion for both the Islamic Empire and the religion of Islam had on the wider world. While Europe was languishing in the dark ages, the Middle East was experiencing a time of economic prosperity and scientific advancement.

The children will learn about the Islamic Empire from the start of Islam (610 CE) to the fall of the Ottoman Empire (1924).



# STEM PROJECT

This term children will be researching, designing and building their own chariot for a Sphero robot. The chariot will fit over the robot, allowing the children to control the robot and drive the chariot. They will get the opportunity to compete in challenges at the end of the unit and evaluate their final build.



# MATHS

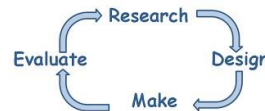
Year 4 will be continuing with our focus on decimals and representing them with tenths and hundredths. They will then learn to write, order and compare decimals. Children will also have their DfE times tables multiplication tests this term. We will be working hard to ensure that children are ready for these tests.

To support the children with their preparation, please attend our parent workshop on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May at 8:55am.

# YEAR 4 SUMMER TERM 3.1

# DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

Children will be using a range of materials to design and make a car with a working slingshot mechanism and house the mechanism using a range of nets. They will follow the process of design, research, make and evaluate.



# COMPUTING

This half term we will be learning how to use and program a Sphero robot. During their lessons children will look at the basic controls and how to use block code to program the robot to move and perform basic operations including: changing direction, colour, speed and aligning the Sphero.



# P.E

This term children will be taught by a professional cricket coach. They will learn all aspects of cricket from batting to fielding. They will have the opportunity to develop these skills over the term, and take part in small cricket matches as a class.



# MUSIC

In music the children will continue to learn to play their Nuvo Doods with the specialist music teacher; Ms Tiso. They will be learning to read music independently and play small pieces of music with their Doods.

# RE AND PSHE

This term in PSHE we are focusing how our choices make a difference to others and the environment. In RE we will be learning about the Ten Commandments in Christianity and then about how faith is a major influence on behaviour.