

Year 4 Autumn 2 Our theme is: ‘The Terrible Tudors!’

Our Theme...

500 years ago the world was a very different place. We had only just learned that America existed and we had no idea about Australia! England, Wales and Scotland were separate kingdoms, each with their own Royal Family. This was an exciting and dramatic time as great naval exploits started England’s great seafaring tradition, beautiful towns were built and schools and colleges were set up. However, with beastly banquets that included ‘Roast Tongue’ on the menu; medicines that were made from worms, pigs and herbs and a King who was known to chop off his wives’ heads, it is not a surprise that the people are commonly referred to as ‘**The Terrible Tudors!**’ Join us for this exciting (but terrible!) topic...!

Link to theme:

In **English** we will continue with our diary writing entries linked to our Tudor theme. We will also be exploring and writing our own play scripts and this will support and extend the children’s knowledge in preparation for our own Christmas performance. In **history** we will be learning about Tudor explorers which will be closely linked to geography as we will be learning about some of the places they discovered and visited. For **science** we will be learning about electricity and comparing this amazing discovery to a Tudor life without it! In **PE** we will focus on dance, gymnastics and netball.

Other subjects:

In **French** we will broaden our vocabulary and develop the ability to understand new words that are introduced through songs and stories, including Christmas songs. In **Music** we will be learning songs and preparing for our Christmas production. Our **PSCHE** will take place during anti-bullying week where we will explore a range of aspects around this issue and look at support strategies. In **computing** we will be finding out about data logging, using ICT to help learning, modelling/simulations. In **RE** we will be learning about Jesus’ baptism and the beginning of his ministry.

To support your child this term you could: To keep them hydrated, children should bring a labelled water bottle with fresh water every day. Ensure all clothing is clearly labelled with your child’s name as one purple jumper looks very similar to the next! Please hear your child read as regularly as possible, signing the home/school book and help you child practise their spellings and timetables with them – every little bit helps! There are many websites about the Tudors which will inspire your child – so do take some time to look at them!

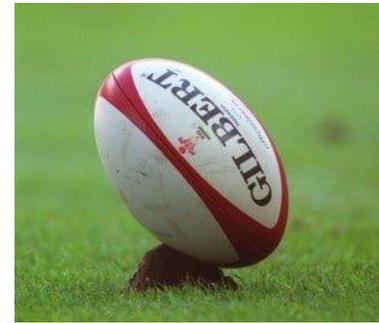
Special events/Dates

International Week – (Rugby League World Cup) Year 4 countries are France and Papua New Guinea. (w/b – 30th October – children to dress in red and black on Friday 3rd November)

Anti- Bullying Week – (w/b – 6th November)

Enterprise Week – (w/b 13th November – Enterprise Fair – Friday 17th November)

Year 4 Christmas Production – Monday 11th December – 2 performances. One at 9.30 and one at 1.30.



Maths

As part of our Mastery curriculum, we will immerse ourselves in learning about the topics of place value and addition and subtraction and applying them to solve problems. In addition, we will focus on the four calculations with a specific lesson each week designed to refine our skills of these.

Additional information:

Our PE day will be Monday. However, please ensure your child has a full PE kit in school every day.

Homework club will continue to operate every lunch time.