

Literacy

In literacy this half term, we will be covering two different texts. For the first 3 weeks, we will be looking at a short suspense story called 'The Nightmare man'.

During this first three weeks we will be looking at what makes a good suspense story and the different features that are found in this type of fictional text. The children will be rewriting the Nightmare man and then by the end of the three week period, writing their own suspense stories. We will then move on to look at persuasive writing and the features that make a good persuasive text. We will link in our building bridges topic to our literacy activities and by the end of the two week period, the children will create a persuasive advert about Points Bridge in Wylam. In the final week, we will be looking at poetry. This will again link in to our Building Bridges topic. Children will be able to identify the features of a Haiku poem and by the end of the week write a couple of Haikus of their own based around the topic of Victorian Britain.

ICT

In ICT this half term, we will continue to look at the topic of E safety and how to keep safe on the internet and why it is important. We will also be looking a coding and how to carry out basic coding on different programmes.

Science

In science this half term, our topic is electricity. Through this topic, the children will be learning and exploring the different appliances that run on electricity and how they can construct a simple series electrical circuit (identifying and naming its basic parts). Children will then inquire into the idea of circuits and experiment with different components and whether where they place them within the circuit allows these components to work. We will finish off this topic by looking at some common conductor and insulators and question why different materials either make good conductors or good insulators.

Mathematics

In maths this half term, we will continue to follow the White Rose scheme of learning. We start the half term by continuing our work on decimals. We will be looking at making whole numbers from any number of tenths and hundredths, comparing numbers with decimals up to two decimal places, order numbers with decimals with up to two decimal places and write different decimals as fractions. In the next subject, we will be developing our understanding of money by comparing and rounding different amounts of money represented in the same format. We will then look at solving different problems that involve money. Finally, we finish off the half term by looking at time, recapping what the children know about time from Year 3. We will then begin exploring how to convert between analogue and digital times using a 24 hour clock.

Design Technology

In design technology this half term we will be linking in our science topic of electricity. Throughout the half term, we will be constructing a fairground with working components based on our knowledge of electricity.

Y4 Topic Plan

Summer 1

Building Bridges



French

In French this half term, the children will be learning about how to say their different hobbies and what they like and do not like to do. This will include things like sports, music, art and different school subjects.

History / Geography

In our topic lessons this half term, we will be looking at the Building Bridges topic. This focuses on the history of Wylam, its famous inventors and the Victorian era of Britain. Through this topic, the children will be learning about the features and the overall importance of Points Bridge in Wylam, especially during the industrial revolution. We will then look at what the term 'Industrial Revolution' means and why the Industrial Revolution was important in Britain. Looking at the industrial revolution will also mean that we look at some famous figures in History from this time period including Wylam's own, George Stephenson. Moreover, it will also be important to look at what life was like for people during this era of History.

PSHE/RE

Our topic in PSHE this half term is 'Growing up'. In this topic, we will be learning about the different relationships between families, people and friends, and how these relationships change as we grow up. In RE this half term, the children will be learning about the importance of pilgrimage within different religions and cultures.

Physical Development

In PE this half term, the children will be focusing on athletics and the different sports that come under this category. This will be allowing the children to practice and prepare for sports day after the half term holiday.