

ENGLISH

To begin the year, we will be exploring our expert use of Punctuation and Grammar. This will help with identifying and applying sentence patterns for written work which will be fundamental for our English units this year.

In the second part of the half term, we will be writing our own children's magazine articles about The Loch Ness Monster.

MATHS

We will be doing lots of problem solving and reasoning in our maths lessons.

We will be starting the half term by recapping some place value skills.

Our lessons will then include:

- Mental addition and subtraction
- Length and perimeter
- Statistics
- Written addition and subtraction
- **Lots of Times tables practice in preparation for the statutory Multiplication tables check in June.**

History

In History, our focus question is: 'Why were people so terrified of The Great Plague in 1665?'

Questions we will be exploring are:

- What was The Great Plague?
- How did it spread so rapidly?
- What was the impact of the deadly outbreak on society?
- What evidence is there?

COMPUTING

During our online safety work, we will be writing rules which we will follow both in school and at home. In our computing work we will be exploring networks, what the internet is made of, what a website really is and asking ourselves, 'Can I believe what I read?'

PSHE

During the first half of the Autumn term all of our PSHE lessons will focus on the topic '**Me and My Relationships**'.

We will discuss our feelings, changing emotions and our friendships. We will also be thinking about applying a growth mindset to all aspects of school life.

YEAR 4 – Autumn 1- TOPIC PLAN

Welcome to the first half term of the Autumn term. I hope you're well rested and ready for a new challenge in Year 4. Myself, Mrs English and Mrs Kennedy, have lots of exciting lessons planned which will involve hard work, dedication and a 'can do' attitude. The curriculum map explains more about what you will learn during this half term.

RE

In RE we will be exploring the question: **God, David and the Psalms**. Children will be identifying important qualities of friendship, exploring courage through the story of David and Goliath and analysing the meaning of psalms.

Art

Our Art focus this term is Aboriginal Art, with an artist focus on Australian born, Nellie Marks. For this we will be:

- Reviewing and analysing Marks' existing artwork
- Exploring and practising techniques through drawing and painting
- Replicate Artist's work through observational drawing
- Designing and developing a patterns, understanding the use of symbols to provide stories within artwork.

SCIENCE

Our topic this half term is: Animals including humans, where we will become scientists through experiments. The topic, more specifically will include:

- Exploring the **digestive system** and the different functions of our body parts.
- Investigating **teeth**, the different types and their uses.
- Understanding **food chains**, how energy is transferred from one living thing, to the next.

MUSIC

During our music lessons we will be:

- listening and analysing music
- playing and improvising short rhythm patterns
- recognising elements of music that establish mood and character.

PE

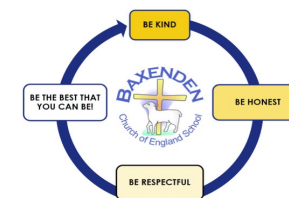
Our PE lessons will be on a **Monday afternoon**. We will be resuming swimming lessons at Accrington Accademy.

Our Games lessons this half term will be on a **Friday Afternoon** which will have a focus on teamwork and problem solving.

FRENCH

French lessons will be covered by Mrs Blakeley each Thursday. During the first half term of Year 4, our topic will be 'All Around Town'. Lessons include:

- Where do you live?
- In my town.
- Counting in tens and up to 100
- My address is...



Our school helps us to walk with Jesus, to be the best that we can be.