ENGLISH

This half-term, the children will be writing their version of a narrative set in another world. After reading the book Coraline by Neil Gaiman, they will develop story-writing skills, such as using dialogue to give insights into characters' personalities and motivations. The focus will be on creating detailed descriptions to engage the reader and using various figurative language tools. In addition, children will be working on employing different ways of starting sentences and structuring their work in paragraphs.

MATHEMATICS

Year 4 will be learning how to recognise common fractions. The children will examine fractions of quantities and shapes, as well as recognise families of common equivalent fractions. Links will be made to key fractions such as $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$ and their decimal equivalents, which children will learn to compare. Furthermore, we will add and subtract fractions. Children will then apply this knowledge to help them solve and create word problems.

GEOGRAPHY

Children will be developing their geographical skills and knowledge of East London and London landmarks in general. During our visit into central London children will have the opportunity to see landmarks in person. They will also learn how to read maps to use the London Transport Network.

PE

Our outdoor sport this half-term is cricket. Children will be developing hand-eye co-ordination as well as moving into position to catch a ball. In-door PE will be handball where children will develop their dribbling, shooting and defence skills. Swimming lessons begin for 4B (Mondays).

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COMPUTING

Children will be experimenting with new micro:bit computer. They will be exploring their inputs and outputs as well as learning how to program them to listen for a loud noise, before they trigger a certain set of instructions.

RE

We will learn about Newham's religions by collecting data from a range of sources. Children will learn about the way individuals and communities express their identities, as well as comparing different religious beliefs.

PSHE

Within our theme of relationships, children will be looking at the emotions and dynamics experienced within them, both positive and negative and how to manage these feelings. The themes of friendship, jealousy, love and loss will also be discussed.

MUSIC

During this half-term, the children will use the glockenspiel to expand their acquired ability; learning to perform harmonised pieces of music. We will incorporate elements of dynamics in our instrumental and vocal practices.

DT

The children will be designing and making a felt toy inspired by the book Coraline. They will be learning how do some basic stitching, such as the running stitch and backstitch, as well as how to sew on buttons. Finally, they will evaluate their work and suggest ways to improve it.

SCIENCE

In our 'Animals including Humans' topic children will learn about the human digestive system. They will understand the importance of teeth. They will gain knowledge that teeth are the start of the digestive process. This will include exploring and understanding what the functions of different types of teeth are. Additionally, children will be learning about how to clean and protect their own teeth.







FRENCH

This half term, children will be introduced to food vocabulary and will revise numbers to 100, this time in the context of money and prices.