# Year 4 Spring Curriculum Overview

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome the children back to school. Outlined are the main topics that we will be learning about during the Spring term. Please don't hesitate to come and see me if you have any questions.

#### English

The areas covered this term will include:

- \* Describe characters and settings.
- \* Use appropriate features for different text types.
- \* Use expanded noun phrases and fronted adverbials to give more detail.
- \* Use of commas to separate clauses.

Texts covered: 'The Great Kapok' Tree by Lynne Cherry

A selection of poetry

We will also be linking our English work to our topic and Science work; therefore there will be many cross-curricular links.

### **Mathematics**

#### Multiplication and division

The children will continue to develop their multiplication and division facts and apply their knowledge to formal written methods of multiplication and division.

#### **Fractions**

Children will learn to identify equivalent fractions. This knowledge will them be used to support the children in adding and subtracting fractions with different denominators. They will then convert between mixed numbers and improper fractions.

### Religion - This terms topics will be:

There will be a large focus on significant liturgical seasons this term with children building on their prior knowledge of the seasons of Christmas and Lent. They will think about how they can develop their faith during this time as well as how they can make an impact on others.

#### Science

In science this term, we will be learning about electricity.

The children will learn to create circuits and test materials to find out whether they are conductors or insulators.

# **Topic**

Geography will be taught through the topic of the Rainforest. We will be locating various rainforests across the equator using our atlas skills. Children will also discover all about the different types of animal and plant life in the Amazon rainforest. We will be learning all about the production of palm oil and how the unsustainable production of this product has caused mass deforestation on the world's rainforests.

## Art and Design Technology (DT)

The children will develop their art skills by learning to create their own lino printing block. They will then build up layers using their block to create a rainforest print. In DT, the children will create their own hot cross bun recipe.



<u>PE:</u> In Spring 1 the children will be swimming at the AT7 centre.

In Spring 2, they will have dance lessons and continue to work on their fitness.

#### **PSHE**

PSHE will be taught through a mixture of standalone lessons and through our R.E. topics. We will explore friendships and how we change as we grow.

Dates: Mon: Tues: Wed: P.E Thurs P.E (Spring 1 Swimming) Fri:

Reading, TTRS and Spelling Shed to be completed at least 3 times a week.

Please ensure your child has a water bottle in school every day.