



Year 4 Learning Leaflet – Spring 2: 2021



Topic

Unsurprisingly, Music takes the lead in our Topic work. We will look at a number of performances and genres; produce our own electronic music; build instruments; and continue to sing and perform a variety of songs. We will be looking at Music through the decades and deciding on our personal playlist.

In **Art**, we will be producing art inspired through listening to and experiencing different types of music.

In **Design & Technology**, the children will be making model instruments and testing and evaluating sound proofing materials.

Maths

In Maths, we will start the half term off by looking at the properties of different 2D shapes (or polygons if you prefer) before spending a little time taking a first look at position and direction.

For the remainder of the half term we will then take the opportunity to revisit multiplication and division in the classroom..

P.E

Tag Rugby and Orienteering/Team Challenges
Please make sure that your child has a suitable P.E kit in school at **all** times.

Playlist

Our theme for this half term is ‘Playlist’, where we will be exploring the world of sound and music. We will learn about, and perform, different music genres and hope to gain an appreciation of different composers and compositions. We will be launching the topic with an afternoon of exploring different music types from around the world.

A **Home Learning** letter has been sent home through Seesaw and offers suggestions to follow up learning with practical and fun activities.

Dates for the diary

Thursday 4th March—World Book Day

Monday 8th March—all children return to school

Friday 2nd April—break up for Easter Holidays

English

The first text for English will be ‘*Peter and the Wolf*’ by Prokofiev. As well as the book, we will look at different versions of this story (ballet, orchestral and puppets) before writing character descriptions about the animals from the story.

Following this, we will zoom in on sound poetry for the rest of the half term. We will analyse, write and perform our own poems.

Guided reading will draw upon sound and music themes, both fiction and non-fiction..

Spellings will continue to be sent home weekly focussing on the Year 4 curriculum. We would like the children to practise these on Spelling Shed whenever possible.

Science

This half term is all about Sound. We will explore the role of vibrations in how sounds are made and how we hear them.

We will be investigating pitch and volume. We will be investigating how to measure and demonstrate sound. We will be measuring using our Dataloggers.

RE

We are continuing to look at the special and sacred -books of a number of world religions during the second half of spring term. We will also look at the role of music and songs within faiths.

Computing

This topic gives us a wonderful opportunity for children to create and record their own music and spoken words, as well as exploring a variety of genres online.