

Curriculum Information – Year 4 Spring 1

At Westfield Primary we value the important support that parents and carers can offer our pupils. To help you have a more detailed understanding of what your child will be learning this half term, we have prepared the following information. We hope that you will find this both interesting and useful.

We hope you and your families have had a wonderful Christmas and are looking forward to an exciting year ahead.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mr Robinson and Mr. Tugby

Computing:

We are co-authors:

- Researching blogs and wiki-pages
- Creating and publishing their own blog page

PE:

- PE will be gymnastics this half term and will take place on a Friday afternoon. There is also a PE session on a Friday afternoon.

Science:

Living things and their habitats:

- Grouping living things
- Using classification keys
- Understanding how changing environments can endanger living things and their habitats



Topic: **Antarctica**



English:

Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar:

- Plural and possessive 's'
- Inverted commas
- Standard English
- Fronted adverbials with commas

Persuasive Adverts:

- Examples and features of a fantasy setting
- Broadening vocabulary
- Developing a range of sentence structures
- Writing an advert for a spy gadget
- Producing a website page for their gadget

Maths:

- Multiplication and division
- Area
- Fractions

Topic: Antarctica

Geography:

Antarctica:

- Continents and Oceans
- Biomes
- Preparing for an Antarctic adventure
- Animal rights



RE:

- Saints and heroes
- This half term we will be looking at key figures that have made a cultural impact.

Art:

- Creating a fantasy setting using pastels

PSHCE:

- Emergencies

Homework:

Reading:

- We ask that the children read at least 3 times a week at home. Remember to record these reads in your child's home reading diary as these will be checked weekly.
- This could be the hard copy reading book received from school or an online book from Bug Club.
- At the end of each half term your child will receive a certificate if they have been able to read 3 or more times each week.
- We have recently started putting our focus text for guided reading sessions on Seesaw each Friday afternoon. Please listen to the audio file and use this to answer the simple comprehension questions which the children bring home each Friday.

Spelling:

- Spellings will focus on the Common Exception Words and rules being taught each week, as well as high frequency words as and when needed.
- Children will receive their spelling list on a Monday which will be tested the following Monday.

SPaG:

- Every fortnight, the children will receive a Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (SPaG) homework. This will be given out on a Monday and it is to be handed in on the second Friday following the hand-out.
- The homework will consist of SPaG type questions.

Maths:

- Gimme 5 homework will be given out on a Monday and it is to be handed in on a Friday.
- The homework will consist of 5 maths questions for the children to complete each day (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday).
- We feel it is beneficial that the children complete the questions on their corresponding day so they practise little and often throughout the week.
- We are going to focus on our recall of multiplication and corresponding division facts. We will send more information at the beginning of the Spring term.