



# Curriculum News

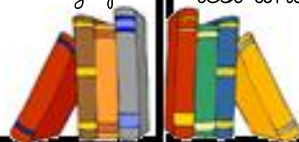
Year 4: Summer 1

## English

In English this half term, we will be by learning about how to write metaphor poems that use rhythm and rhyming patterns. We will also focus heavily on our vocabulary so that we choose the best words to help the reader understand what we mean. We will then move on to explanation texts. This writing style will help us write in a way that explains why something happens or give information on how to do something.

For our Spelling and Grammar lessons we will be looking at paragraphs and using appropriate suffixes.

In our reading lessons, we will be reading to improve our vocabulary and inference skills using a variety of nonfiction information texts.



## Maths

In Maths, this half term we will be begin with continuing with decimals. We will then move onto our new topics, money and time. We will learn a variety of skills like being able to convert between pounds and pence and being able to convert between analogue and digital clocks.

Please can we make sure that children are using TT Rockstars daily so that it is preparing them for their online times tables test which they will be having very soon!

## Curriculum Overview

### Natural Disasters

Our focus for this half term is Geography and more specifically Natural Disasters and how they happen. We will investigate how and where these events have taken place and the impact they have had on the surrounding environment.

In DT, we will be using the prior learning we did last half term to research, plan, prepare and finally make our very own torches. In PSHE, we will be learning about 'Relationships' which involves looking at healthy relationships between people and different feelings involved in relationships; for example, the feeling of loss when someone we love passes away. In Science we are learning about sound and in Computing, we are going to be learning how to program robots and online devices.





TT Rockstars: <https://play.ttrockstars.com/auth/school>

Year 5 children are set battles weekly and a champion is awarded at the end of the week!

Corbettmaths Primary: <https://corbettmathsprimary.com/>

Videos for each maths topic, quizzes and '5-a-day' which is like Masters of Arithmetic.

Oxford Owl: [www.oxfordowl.co.uk](http://www.oxfordowl.co.uk)

The Oxford Owl eBook Library contains a wide selection of books from across Oxford's most popular series

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Once Upon a Picture <https://www.onceuponapicture.co.uk/>

The wonderful world of photographs and illustrations. Once Upon a Picture has a collection of images to inspire children with their writing and each image has reading skills questions for them to practise at home.

Bitesize KS2 <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/zbr9wmn> Learning at home? Bitesize is the one! Lessons full of videos, quizzes and practice activities to help you with home learning.

## Reminders

**Spellings** - Children will focus on ten words a week, which can be accessed through Spelling Shed.

**Reading** - Year 4 visit the library every week and select a new book. They should be bringing the chosen book home every night to read. Their reading records contain questions that someone at home can ask them after they have read a small section.

**Times tables** - By the end of Year 4 all children should know their timetables up to 12. Each week a new challenge is set on TT Rockstars. Please ensure your child practises for a minimum of 10 minutes each day.



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