



## Year 4 Summer Curriculum Letter

Mingham Junior School

May 2025

### Summer time!

Welcome to your last term in year 4. We hope that you are feeling excited about this term and all of the learning and activities planned.

#### Reading and writing

Our focus at the start of this term, is writing an adventure narrative based on the book 'Arthur and the Golden Rope'. We will be creating our own adventure story using our own creatures!

In reading, we will be continuing our environmental theme by reading 'Rubbish Town Hero' and 'The Anthology of Intriguing Animals'.

#### Maths

Maths this term starts by recapping multiplication and division ready for our year 4 multiplication check. Finally, we will be consolidating our learning of shapes in our geometry and measurement unit.

#### Science

First, we will be putting our scientist hats on to find out about electrical circuits and then we will be investigating different food chains, habitats and using our pond to help us with this.

#### Geography/ History

During geography this term, we will be focusing on the UK and the capital city of London. We will refine our compass and map reading skills. In History, we will be completing our local study at the Historic Dockyard.

#### Computing

In our computing lessons, we will be learning how to create and presenting using greenscreens. Later on, we will be using our amazing VR headsets to invent our own toys. In E-safety this term, our focus is on protecting our privacy and security.

#### PDL and RE

The PDL unit for this term is titled 'Keeping Safe Outside of School.' We will work on understanding risks and avoiding hazardous situations. After half term, we will be thinking about transition and 'Looking Ahead' to year 5.

During RE, we are thinking about myths and how myths are explored in Christianity. Together we will

look at what myths are, understand the part they play in religion and make links to our own lives. Later on, we will shift our focus to symbols represented in Christianity and Buddhism.

#### Art/DT

In art, we will be continuing the conservation theme, thinking about how important trees are to our planet. We will be using an artist called Vanessa Stone to practise drawing and painting trees in proportion.

Design and technology this term is linked to hand puppets. We are going to be planning and evaluating before and after practicing our sewing skills.

#### Music

This half term, we will be exploring pitch and structure through the medium of the journey of a river. We will then practise varying duration and pitch when listening to 'Lucy in the Sky with Diamonds.'

#### PE

At the start of the term, we will be practising our basketball and hockey. This will develop our teamwork skills, ready to showcase during our whole school sports day event. Following this, we will be participating in tennis and athletics.

#### MFL

In French this term we will be looking at the Gruffulo in French. We will spend time reading and performing the book as well as labelling body parts in French!

#### Home Learning

Please record your child's reading in their reading log. We ask that children read for a minimum of 10 minutes at least 5 times a week. This is a great way to complete our reading challenge and win a free book of their choice at the end of term celebration assembly.

Make sure you rock your times tables on TTRS twice a week for 10 minutes (this does not include shop time!). Also, practice your addition and subtraction skills on Numbots, again twice a week for 10 minutes.

Spelling practice is available online using Spelling Frame. Spelling tests take place in school each Friday.

Artist — Vanessa Stone



### Key Events & Dates

**Year 4 Multiplication Check:** 2nd June — 13th June

**Camping:** Friday 9th May

**Year 4 Assembly:** Friday 23rd May

**Half term:** 26th May— 30th May

**Sports Day:** Thursday 19th June

**INSET days:** Friday 20th June and Monday 23rd June

**Garden Party:** Thursday 6th June

**Last day of term:** Tuesday 22nd July