

## English

During this half term, we will use a variety of texts, including "Inside the Villains", to consider how an author uses viewpoint. This will be developed in both Guided Reading sessions and through a range of writing activities. Some of the potential written outcomes will include writing a fairy tale character's guide to surviving the big, bad wolf, a letter persuading the public of the wolf's innocence in Little Red Riding Hood and an alternative version of a fairy tale, told from the villain's perspective.

## History

This topic will give the children the opportunity to learn how the punishments for crime have evolved through the centuries, from Anglo-Saxon times to the modern day. They will explore the need for justice within a society and the ways that laws are upheld. They will also learn of some of the key figures that have had an impact on how our laws are upheld.

## Art

The children will have the opportunity to explore how artists are used in the courtroom, to capture the mood and atmosphere during a trial. We will also be doing some design and technology to make some different items used in the past for punishment.

## ICT

The children will continue to develop their typing skills, becoming more confident with using text shortcuts including how to cut, copy and paste. They will also develop their skills of using Augmented and Virtual Reality apps, linked to our theme of Crime and Punishment.



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## Mathematics

In Maths lessons, the children will continue to learn and apply the skills of multiplication and division in a range of contexts. We will further our knowledge of fractions, applying what we are learning in a range of problem-solving situations. We will also look at measures, whilst solving problems using all four operations.

## PSHE

This half term we will focus on the concept of "Valuing Difference," encouraging the children to recognise the similarities between each other and the differences, which make them unique and special.

## Science

Whilst exploring 'digestion', the children will learn about nutrients in different foods, the role of digestion, the digestion process and food chains. The children will take part in a wide variety of science experiments, and will work out how to conduct fair test.

## Ways to support the topic

- Encourage your child to read a range of fiction books, especially those which centres on a character's personal point of view
- Help your child to practise their spellings, in readiness for their weekly test.
- Encourage your child to change their library book regularly.
- Help your child to practise their Times Tables, in readiness for the Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check.

**If you have any questions or worries, please feel free to make an appointment to come and talk to any of the year 4 team!**

## P.E.

Hedgehogs have their P.E. lesson on a **Tuesday**, so must **come in wearing their P.E. Kit, (a House Team coloured T-Shirt and P.E. Hoodie, navy shorts or jogging bottoms, and trainers)**. The plain T-shirt in their House Team colour can be purchased from Skoolkit, either online or from their shop. Patterned items of clothing are not permitted and there should also be **no jewellery** worn on a P.E. day.

