

## Writing

**Narrative** - An adventure story based on the book 'Journey' by Aaron Becker.

**Non-Fiction** - A speech about climate change.

## Maths

- Decimals. We will be using our fractions knowledge to learn how to convert fractions to decimals.
- Measure (length, perimeter and area)

## History

Who were the Anglo-Saxons? How did life in the Anglo-Saxon times compare to the Roman times?

## RE

**Concept:** Ritual

**Focus:** Paschal Candle - Christianity

## Personal Development

- Picture news assemblies to focus on British Values
- Learning to sew in DT

## Reading

### The Boy at the back of the class by Onjali Q Rauf

*The Boy at the Back of the Class* follows a young girl and her friends as they befriend Ahmet, a quiet refugee boy, and try to understand his painful past. Through kindness and courage, they learn about friendship, empathy, and standing up for what is right, even when it is difficult.

## PSHE

**Healthy Me** - Recognising how to keep our minds, bodies, choices and relationships healthy.

## Music

### Tuned instrument

Taught by Portsmouth Music Service.

## Art

### **Skill - Sketching**

**Outline:** The children will be focusing on exploring texture and form (shading) using charcoal to create self portrait inspired by the artist Nelson Makamo

## PE

**REAL PE - Unit 4** Co-ordination and counterbalance.

**PE -** Dance.

## French

### En Classe

This term we will be learning about classroom routines and how to develop our vocabulary.

# Year 4

# Spring 2 Term

## Science

### Electricity

Pupils will be taught to identify common appliances that run on electricity, construct a simple series electrical circuit, identify and name its basic parts, explore their effects and to recognise some common conductors and insulators.

# Things to explore with your child!

PE:

Our PE day is Thursday.

## A little note from us...

We hope you have a fun packed half term and come back well rested for the exciting term ahead

As we move through this half term, please speak with your child's class teacher if you have any questions or worries. Our year 4 email is the best way to contact us. Alternatively, please call the office and we will try our best to call you as soon as possible or speak to us at the end of school on the playground.

[year4@meonjuniorschool.org.uk](mailto:year4@meonjuniorschool.org.uk)

*Thank you, from Team Year 4*

## Home Reading

Please ensure your child is reading daily. Remember to log any reading with an adult in your reading log and to use Accelerated Reader to quiz your books. The library is open after school to ensure your child always has access to suitable books.

## Maths:

In the Summer Term, Year 4 will be formally assessed on their Times Table recall. Please ask your child about their times-table group and what they personally have been asked to work on

## Spellings

Spelling has been identified as a need across the year group. To support your children's learning in this area, we will have spelling groups. These words will be taught in class and should be practiced at home. They will be tested on a two weekly cycle. In addition there will be high frequency words practiced as hand-writing.

## Homework

Homework will be provided on **Friday** and is due back the following **Friday** and gone through briefly in class.

Homework will include a maths and an English task, handwriting, times table and reading practice. It will also include spellings to practice.

## School website:

There is a whole list of useful links on the school website which can be found at:

[www.meonjuniorschool.org.uk/learn-with-us/links-for-learning/](http://www.meonjuniorschool.org.uk/learn-with-us/links-for-learning/)

## Termly Home Learning:

Please find attached a range of home learning projects for your child to choose from. These are due in the week beginning 23rd March.

Their finished piece/pieces will be shared during the last week of term..

# HOME LEARNING PROJECT IDEAS

**READING GIVES US  
SOMEPLACE TO GO  
WHEN WE HAVE TO  
STAY WHERE WE ARE.**

Complete lots more times table practise! You can use TT Rockstars, saying them with your adults, writing them out etc.

There are lots of other websites to help you too. Perhaps try [www.timestables.co.uk](http://www.timestables.co.uk)

Make an Anglo Saxon shield. You could use cardboard, papier mache, card etc. Then design your own pattern to decorate it with.

You could also draw yourself as an Anglo-Saxon.

We will be learning about the Anglo Saxons this half term. Some ideas of home learning you could do: draw an Anglo Saxon settlement, write your name in Anglo Saxon runes, create a fact file about a famous Saxon etc.

In Science we will be learning about electricity. You could make a poster about how to stay safe when near electricity or keep a diary for a week to see how many times you use electricity!

We would love for you write a review of a book you have read recently. You can make a poster or write a letter to tell everyone what the book is about and why they should read. You can be as creative as you like.