

Advent 2 Curriculum Overview – Year 4

Subject	Curriculum	Overview
English	Talk for Writing	Fiction – Defeating the Monster story – They will learn the story of “Simic and the Forest”; acting it out initially, making their own story maps and then analysing the features of the text and they will then ultimately plan and write their own defeating the monster story. Non-fiction – non-chronological report – The children will analyse the text “Swamp Monsters”, identify the features of a non-chronological text before planning and writing their own.
	Spelling	Consolidation of previous spelling words with common spelling patterns or phonemes as well as practising the Year 3 and Year 4 spelling lists.
	Grammar	The children will be learning about imperative verbs, time connectives, adverbs, adjectives and inverted commas for dialogue.
Maths	Addition and Subtraction	They will add up to two 4-digit numbers (with and without exchanging), subtract two 4-digit numbers (with and without exchanging) and estimate and check their answers.
	Measurement	The children will find the area of shapes by counting the squares and then compare the area of different shapes.
	Multiplication and Division	They will develop their recall skills for the 3, 6, 9, 7 and 12 times tables as well as the related division facts.
RE	Called	The children will complete the current unit on the calling of the apostles and other people and give reasons for the actions and symbols.
	Judaism	For one week, the children will learn about the Torah and the importance of it to Jews and how they show it respect.
	Gifts	They will explore and reflect on how Jesus is a gift from God, how Christians prepare for Advent and also the Nativity.
D&T	Torches	This topic is closely linked to the Science as the children will be designing and making functioning torches. They will investigate electrical items before designing, making and then evaluating their own torch.
French	La Famile	They will know the words for the members of family and talk about their own family.
Geography	The Americas	The children will be researching some countries and cities in North and South America and identify similarities and differences between them. They will also learn about the historic Route 66 and some of the cities it went/goes through.
Computing	Audio Production	They will learn about input and output devices required to work with sound. They will record and edit sounds, produce a podcast of their own and learn how to edit their own work and save it.
Music	How does music bring us together?	They will continue to receive the Samba music lessons and play a variety of Samba instruments.
PE	PE 1 – Dance	They will learn to explore movement through improvisation, unison, matching movements and then extend their dance skills by using more complex interacting movements and also incorporating apparatus.
	PE 2 – Running	They will explore and develop running for speed, running as part of a team and explore pacing and running for distance.
PSHE	Stereotypes, discrimination and prejudice	The children will learn about gender stereotyping and about discrimination and prejudice.
Science	Electricity	The children will construct simple circuits, identifying the basic parts and labelling diagrams of the circuit. They will add in buzzers, switches and motors and also investigate conductors and insulators.
Circle Time	Respecting each other, speaking and listening skills	A range of games and activities which will develop the children’s speaking and listening skills whilst providing an opportunity for them to identify positive qualities in themselves and their peers.