

English

We will be reading **Beowulf** by Michael Morpurgo with particular focus on the extensive vocabulary. In keeping with the book, we will be writing a 'defeat the monster' story. There will be a big focus on writing in a **variety of sentence types** including using the power of three and the juxtaposition of long and short sentences for effect. As part of our story writing we will look at the grammar requirements for **writing speech**. We will read a poem on a similar theme called The Malfesance about a creature that attacks a town.



RE

Desert to Garden - We start by learning about the parable of the prodigal son and its message of forgiveness and mercy before learning of the events of Holy Week, leading to **Easter**.



History

Within this fantastic topic we will establish the reasons for **invading** and **settling** in England. We will look at the structure of society within the Anglo-Saxon times and what this meant for the ordinary person. We will consider the way that **Christianity** developed at this time.



Year 4 – Spring 2



Anglo-Saxons

Maths

Within this half term we will focus on fractions in their many forms with particular emphasis on **fractions of a quantity** and **equivalent fractions**. We will then be moving on to **decimals** and relating tenths and hundredths back to fractions as well as dividing numbers by 10 and 100. Times tables will continue to feature each day as we are nearing the Year 4 tables screening.



Music

Through **Charanga** we will learn the song 'Lean On Me' along with continuing the recorder by extending our knowledge of notation patterns.



Geography

Map work will be a key part of our geography in this half term where we will study **place names** today and their meanings. We will look at the **routes** that the Jutes, Angles and Saxons took to reach us and how Britain was divided up at this time.



Science

Children will learn about **electricity** and the difference between mains power and battery power. They will **build series circuits** and **design their own switches**, using their knowledge of conductors and insulators. Finally, they will learn how appliances use insulators keep us safe.

PE

In PE we will be developing our **tennis** skills, focusing on court targets and knowledge of Mini Tennis rules. We will also be developing our **hockey** skills.



DT

We will be using **Fimo** to create an Anglo-Saxon style brooch. We will explore various techniques and tools to gouge out our designs.

