



Curriculum Newsletter

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms."

1 Peter 4: 10

Welcome to the Autumn 1 edition of the Year 4 Curriculum News. We hope that you will find it useful and informative. Please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher if you have any questions regarding the curriculum this half term.

This term in Year 4 our Geography theme is **Mighty Mountains, Volcanoes and Earthquakes.**

This half term we will focus on mountains in the U.K and around the World. We will explore the key question: **How are mountains formed and where are they found?**



In **English** we will be studying *Nessie - The Most Famous Tale of Monster Mayhem Ever* by Richard Brassey and use what we learn to produce an infographic text and a non-chronological report.

In **Maths** we will focus on number developing our understanding of **place value** of 4-digit numbers including adding and subtracting numbers with up to 4-digit numbers and also begin to look at decimal numbers with two decimal places.

Further information about how English and Maths are taught at Christ Church can be found by visiting our school website:

www.christchurch-lancaster.lancs.sch.uk

In **science** In Science, we will be learning about '**States of Matter**'. We will learn about solids, liquids and gases and their properties.

solid	liquid	gas
rigid	not rigid	not rigid
fixed shape	no fixed shape	no fixed shape
fixed volume	fixed volume	no fixed volume



In **ART** this half term will be working on an artist study. Our focus artist will be **John Constable**. The children will be learning about mountain landscapes and developing their collage techniques.



This half term, **PE** will be on a **Tuesday and Thursday.**

Gymnastics with Mr Seaton will focus on increasing our range of gymnastic skills, creating more complex sequences of actions on the floor, and then on apparatus. In Games with Miss Holder, we will be learning about the invasion game - Rugby.

In **RE** this half term our unit is called '**God, David and the Psalms**' and will focus on the question: '**What values do you consider to be important?**'

In **computing** our lessons will focus on becoming Hardware Investigators - learning about the parts of a computer.

In **Music** we will begin working with Mrs Diane Smith to develop our understanding of tuned and un-tuned percussion instruments, exploring instruments and the elements of music.

Our **SCARF** unit this half term will be based around 'Me and my Relationships'.

How can I help at home?

Reading books will be sent home daily. Please spend time each evening reading with your child and return their book and signed Reading Record to school every day. To link with our English work, the children are also being encouraged to read books and magazines. To support your child with their learning in Maths, please use Times Table Rock-Stars several times weekly to practice the 2, 3, 4, 5 and 10 times tables.

Many thanks for your continued support.
Miss Holder & Mr Seaton.