

# Year 4 Knowledge Organiser: Summer 1

## Reading

Our class author this half term is Kate Wilkinson and we are currently reading 'Eddie and the Box of Flits' as our class read aloud. Our reading lessons consist of vocabulary, where we explore root words and a component of close/extended reading sessions. We also focus on skills sessions during daily reading sessions. This half term, we are reading: Quick, let's get out of here, This or That, You Choose, as well as poetry and non-fiction about the topic of electricity (to link to our science unit).

## Writing

**Writing to entertain** - We will be reading the book 'Quick! Let's get out of here' to create and perform entertaining anecdotal recounts based on real moments from their lives.

**Discussion** - We will be reading the book 'This or That' which will then lead to children structuring simple discussion texts using paragraphs organised around a topic sentence.

## Maths

This half term, we will be continuing our unit on decimals at the beginning of the half term, and then introducing money and time at the end of the half term. We will also be revising all previously taught times table this half term too to prepare children for the upcoming times table check in June. Children will also have time to practise their times tables on TT Rockstars, which enables children to practise all of the times tables they have learnt previously.

## Sciences

We will be looking at Physics: Electricity. We will be exploring the simple series circuits. This will include electrical appliances, complete circuits, switches, electrical conductors and insulators as well as looking at their uses.



## Geography

Our history topic this half term is looking at Earthquakes. Our learning will comprise of: understanding why earthquakes take place and what effects they had in Haiti and Japan.



## Art

Our topic is based on My Favourite Things and our artist inspirations are Abel Rodriguez and Henri Rousseau and we'll be drawing a still life based on personal possessions.



## Music

This half term, we will be continuing to learn clarinets with our music tutor. We will be building on our knowledge of how to assemble all the parts and learn to play more notes.



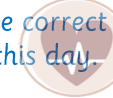
## Religion and World Views

This half term, we will be focusing on Theology & Social Sciences. Our key question is 'How have people and events in history shaped Islamic diversity?'



## PE

P.E will be every Thursday. They will be focusing on tag rugby and fitness. Please can you ensure that children are bringing the correct P.E kits in on this day.



## PHSE

This half term, we will be looking at how our choices can make a difference to others and the environment.

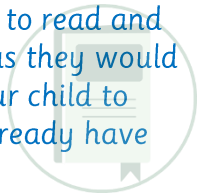


# How to help at home...

## Reading

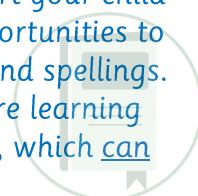
You can support your child at home by ensuring that you are reading with them daily and logging their reading on [learningwithparents.com](https://www.learningwithparents.com) through either a comment, picture or voice recording! Please ensure that you send your child to school with their reading book every day!

At school, we have lots of books that your child can borrow and take home, so please encourage your child to read and change their book as often as they would like. We also encourage your child to read any books they may already have at home.



## Writing

In order to prepare your child for their writing units this term, you could ask your child questions about characters, setting and plot when reading books together to prepare them for writing their own short story. You can also encourage them to write for pleasure! Pobble365 is a great resource which provides image prompts to inspire writing. You can also support your child by providing them with opportunities to practice their handwriting and spellings. It is important that pupils are learning the statutory Y3/4 spellings, which [can be found here](#).



## Maths

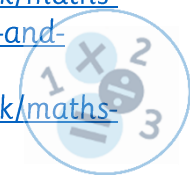
Please ensure that your child is practicing their times tables using TT Rockstars in preparation for their Times Table Check in June at the start of next half term.

You can also go on these educational websites for practising their maths skills:

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years/fractions-and-decimals>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/7-11-years/money>



## Science

In order to support your child this half term, you can visit this website:

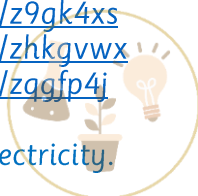
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These are all really useful links to learn more about electricity.



## Geography

To support your child this half term, you can visit this website:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z849q6f/articles/zj89t39>

There is information about Earthquakes, as well as a video explaining what they are and then a quiz to check your child's understanding.

