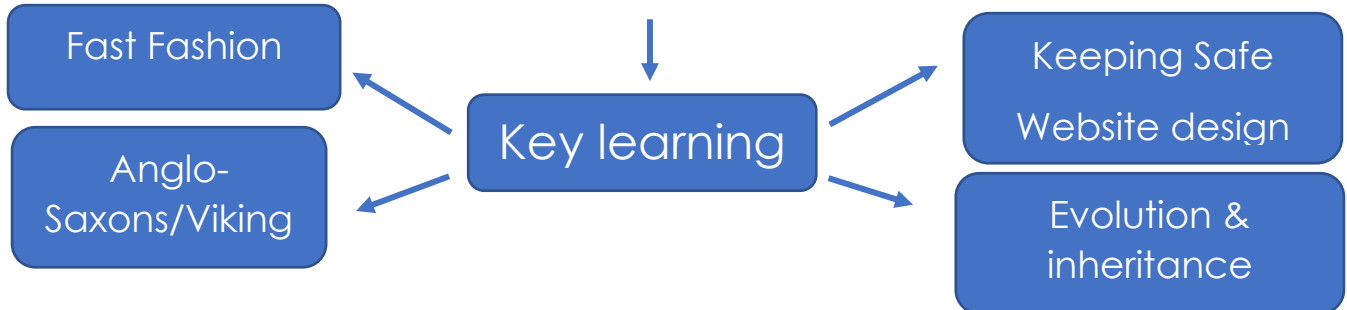




Spring Term  
2023-24 Class 4



## What we will be learning in Class 4.



### Overview

Welcome to the Spring term at Whitemoor Academy, which is packed full of exciting and inspiring learning. As we begin this term we will be beginning exploring how to keep ourselves and others safe, which will include online safety. We have a trip planned for Wheal Martyn as we have been selected to be part of an Artslab project – this will involve working with local artists on a very exciting project!

### English

#### **Fiction - Narrative**

The genre this half term for our narrative writing is, 'portal stories.' We will be following a structure where we explore a model text, identify features and exciting vocabulary that make this story engaging and start to generate ideas of our own. We will then spend some time writing together to play around with language and structure before writing our own portal stories. We will also use the same lesson structure to write some fictional letters from a Viking settlement.

#### **Non-Fiction – Diary Writing**

For our non-fiction writing we will look writing news report writing and instructional texts.

### Maths

In maths this half term, we will be covering a range of areas. These include;

- Fractions – adding and subtracting (Y5)
- Fractions – dividing, finding a fraction of an amount (Y6)
- Multiplication & Division (Y5)
- Ratio & Algebra (Y6)
- Decimals and percentages
- Measurement, area & Perimeter

### Humanities

#### **Geography - Fast Fashion**

Our geography unit this half term will allow us to explore what fast fashion is and why we have this industry. We will look at the impacts that this has on people and the environment and explore methods of combating fast fashion.

#### **History - Anglo- Saxons & Vikings**

Our history unit will allow us to explore the overarching question **Do people in history get the reputation they deserve?** We will learn about Alfred the Great and look at whether Vikings were really vicious.

#### **RE – Creation & Science – Conflict or Complimentary?**

**What difference does the resurrection make to Christians?**

### Science

#### **Evolution & Inheritance**

For our unit this half term, we are exploring evolution. We will learn to recognise that living things change over time and that we can use evidence such as fossil to support this. We will explore how offspring can vary from their parents and then look at how animals and plants have adapted to suit their environment.

**PSHE** – Our unit this half term is about 'Keeping Safe.' We will explore what it means to think before you click and learn to understand when it is ok to share things and when it is not. This will link to our computing unit of keeping safe online also. We will then discuss different drugs, why some people may need to use them (prescriptive) and talk about illegal and legal. This will lead us onto discussions about influence and making the right choices.

**Expressive Arts and Design** – In Art, we will be working alongside two local artists as part of the ArtLab project. This will link to our Fast Fashion unit in geography, sustainability and our local clay history.

**Home Learning** - Please support your child's educational development by sharing activities at home. Children will receive house points and reward certificates for completing home learning activities. The homework grid will be given to each child at the beginning of term and uploaded to Google Classroom.

Homework	What is expected	When will it be given?
Reading Book	Please read daily and record in reading record. Reading out loud is a very important part of the development of their intonation and expression, this applies to all year groups.	This is a daily set homework.
Topic choices	Please use the separate grid to choose a piece of homework to complete each week. This can be brought in or uploaded to Google Classroom.	Homework is due on a Friday.
Spellings	Each week your child will be set spellings that need to be practiced at home. Please support your child with this.	Set on a Friday – due the next Friday.

This overview shows the intended learning, which may change due to pupil interests.



### Important Information

#### **Tuesday Afternoon – PE:**

Sometimes, due to changes in the curriculum, P.E could be taught on an alternative day therefore please provide a P.E kit that is kept in school.

#### **Homework:**

Your child will receive spellings each week to learn at home. Please practice these with your child as much as possible. Each Friday your child will have a spelling test.

Timetables are crucial too - repetition is the key to fast recall.. Please encourage your children to play on TTRockstars as this has shown to be an effective way to help the children to learn.