



## Curriculum Information

### Summer 2 Year 4



**Our topic this half term is 'Living Things and their Habitats'.**

Our planet is full of beautiful plants and incredible animals. It is a remarkable world of living things, but what makes each of them special? From deserts and forests, to the depths of the oceans, we will explore living things on land and in the sea. Using classification keys, we will sort living things, including plants and animals, based on their characteristics. We will learn about the ground-breaking work of Dr Jane Goodall who urges us to take action on behalf of the world we share with all living things.

**As writers**, we will write a descriptive poem, persuasive letter, diary entry and non-chronological report.

**As readers**, we will be reading *Whale Boy*, a story about a boy named Michael who dreams of owning his own boat and finding whales.

**In Maths**, we will be learning about shape and symmetry, position and direction and reasoning with patterns and sequences.

**In Science**, we will learn how to group animals and plants using classification keys. We will also study the scientist Jane Goodall.

**In Art**, we will compare Antoni Gaudi's architecture to buildings designed by Frank Lloyd Wright and create our own designs inspired by them.

**In Computing**, we will develop our typing and digital literacy skills using Publisher.

**In Design and Technology**, we will learn about the Eat Well plate, how to eat healthily and cook a healthy meal.

**In Languages**, we will learn to talk, read and write about the weather and flavours of ice cream.

**In PSHE**, we will learn about how we can protect the environment and how everyday choices, including our food choices, can impact the environment.

**In Geography**, we will label the world's oceans, seas, the equator and the tropics. We will learn where the Great Barrier Reef is located and why it is significant.

**In PE**, we will practise our leadership and map reading skills in Outdoor Adventurous Activities and our team work and throwing techniques in Netball.

**In RE**, we will engage with Muslim stories about making sacrifices and compare this with stories of sacrifice in Christianity. We will consider why Ibrahim and Jesus might be inspirational to their followers and who might be inspirational to us.