

# Half Term Curriculum Overview

Year 3 & 4 Summer 2 - 2021

Theme: Making the world a better place -We will ensure that Islamic knowledge is incorporated

## English

This half-term, children will be reading the book 'The tin forest by Helen Ward'. Children will explore the main character and the journey he goes through in clearing up the rubbish around his little house and transforming it into a beautiful forest of tin. Through the sequence, children write in role as the old man, producing diary entries and wishes and write a postcard to him to pass on some advice. The sequence finishes with children writing a persuasive information leaflet to encourage others to protect an area in the local environment. This book would work well alongside learning on conservation, climate change and the plant life cycle.

### Islamic link:

- We will speak about how Allah created various environments such as rainforests and the different animals and plants that He has placed perfectly adapted to their environment.
- We will discuss the importance of looking after the earth and animals and how we have a duty to uphold care and gentleness towards everyone and everything.
- There is reward in removing litter and harmful waste/objects that may cause harm to another person

## PE

In PE this half-term, children will be learning Athletic skills such as: Running and Walking, running over Obstacles, throwing for distance, throwing for accuracy.

**Islamic link:** Health is very important in Islam and we are instructed to take care of ourselves and keep healthy through good eating, movement, and exercise.

## Art

In Art, children will be learning about 'Can we Change Places?' students will get to think about the environment around them and how art can improve an area before taking a closer look at a variety of different styles of sculpture. And, of course, they will have a go at making their own very own sculptures!

**Islamic link:** Allah is the Creator and Original Inventor of all. Humans take inspiration from Allah's creation! Masjids and Islamic architects use beautiful designs and art.

## Mathematics

This half-term, children will be learning a range of different topic in Maths. They will focus on word-based topics and this will be important to get the children used to this style of questioning and the reasoning used to answer them. Children will be looking at **measurement, money, and Time**. Some of the objectives will include:

- Add and subtract mass.
- Compare capacity.
- Measuring temperature
- Comparing decimals
- Making a whole
- Order decimals
- Pounds and pence

**Islamic link:** Islam has a rich history of trading. The Prophet Muhammad (Peace and blessings upon him) himself did trade with his uncle and also with Khadijah RA. Allah made trading halal - (Trading deals with money, measurement, capacity, numbers, etc). **Salah, Ouran, Surahs, Avahs, etc are to do with numbers.**

## PSHE

- This term, children will be learning about 'Relationship'. Identify people who are special to us (our own special people).
- Explain what makes them special and why they are important to us.
- Describe how our special people care for us.
- Recognise how we can show we care for people special to us.

**Islamic link:** Islam encourages spreading love, kindness, giving gifts, loving for the sake of Allah as this creates special bonds and trust with people around us.

## ESR

This half term we will be looking at 'I speak for the trees'. These ecosystems lessons explore the causes and effects of deforestation, starting by thinking about the consequences of the actions of the careless people.

**Islamic link:** We will discuss the importance of looking after the earth and creatures and how we have a duty to uphold care and gentleness towards everyone and everything NOT to destroy and cause harm.

## Geography

This half-term, children will be learning about 'Rainforest'. The students will discover where the rainforests are located, what they are like, who lives in rainforests (including animals, plants, and indigenous peoples).

**Islamic History:** Allah creates rainforests and different animals and plants. The Quran speaks about trees many times in the Quran and mentions more than 20 animals in the Quran! For rainforests to grow, they need rain, sun, soil which Allah has all created. They help us by giving us oxygen and food!

## Homework

Children will receive homework on Friday, they will need to make sure that they bring it back the following Tuesday. The homework will be a reinforcement of the topics learnt during that week. **Islamic link:** The first word to be revealed was 'IQRA' which means 'READ.' This shows emphasis and importance to education.