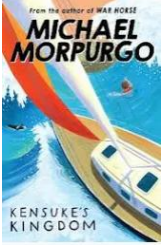


<p>English:</p>  <p>This term, our Year 4 pupils will be exploring <i>Kensuke's Kingdom</i> by Michael Morpurgo. Through this exciting adventure story, the children have been developing their writing skills by stepping into the shoes of the main character, Michael.</p> <p>As part of our writing journey, pupils have been creating a series of diary entries to retell key events from the story. They have focused on expressing thoughts and feelings, using descriptive language, and writing in the first person to bring their ideas to life. The children have particularly enjoyed imagining what it would be like to be stranded on a desert island and reflecting on themes such as survival, friendship, and resilience.</p> <p>We are very proud of the creativity and enthusiasm the class has shown, and it has been wonderful to see their confidence grow as writers</p>	<p>Maths:</p> <p>Decimals</p> <p>This half term, Year 4 pupils will be learning about decimals using the White Rose Maths scheme. Children have been building on their understanding of place value to explore numbers with tenths and hundredths. They have used practical resources, such as place value charts and number lines, to help them visualise how decimals work.</p> <p>Throughout the unit, pupils will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recognised and written decimal numbers (e.g. 0.5, 0.25) • Made links between fractions and decimals (e.g. $\frac{1}{2} = 0.5$) • Compared and ordered decimals • Counted in tenths and hundredths • Rounded decimals to the nearest whole number <p>The children have developed confidence in explaining their reasoning and using mathematical vocabulary such as <i>tenths</i>, <i>hundredths</i>, and <i>decimal point</i></p>	<p>Topic:</p> <p>In this topic, pupils will develop their map-reading skills and learn how to use different types of maps, including paper and digital versions. They will explore how maps represent physical and human features and learn how to navigate using symbols, keys, four-figure grid references, and compass directions.</p> <p>Key Questions:</p> <p>How do maps show us where places are? How do we use symbols and keys to understand maps? How can we use four-figure grid references? How do we use maps to plan journeys and explore? How do satellite images help us understand changes in land use? How do digital maps help track environmental issues?</p>
<p>PE:</p> <p>Cricket</p> <p>Climbing</p> <p>Athletics</p> <p>Dodgeball</p>	<p>French:</p>	<p>Residential:</p> <p>The residential is this half term. The Bushcraft Company run from Castle Howard in York.</p> <p>Please look at the website for more information or on the school website.</p> <p>www.thebushcraftcompany.com</p> <p>Kit List: essential items include a sleeping bag.</p>

