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# Curriculum Overview Year 4



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## Spring Term 2 2020 "Australia is all the same!"

This term we are looking at a Geography based topic. We are learning about where Australia is, its size and the key aspects of settlements and land use. We will explore the theory that all Australia is the same by researching the different territories and comparing them geographically. Our English text is all about a stoat's adventure in the beautiful city of Sydney.

### English

In English, we will be basing our learning on the story of 'The Travels Of Ermine – Stoat on Stage', a funny tale with references to Australian concepts and the landscape of Sydney. We will be using this within our English work to focus on persuasive writing in many different forms. We will be writing postcards from characters, conversations between characters, newsflash reports and travel website pages.

### PSHE

This half term the focus will be on how we can keep ourselves safe outside the school environment.

We will also be exploring how to deal with conflicts within our friendships in a calm and effective manner.

### Maths

We will start this terms by learning about how to solve multiplication questions using the column method. We will then be moving onto apply our multiplication skills to solve division questions. We will then complete a unit learning about fractions – exploring different fractions, learning how to calculate fractions of numbers and shapes and ordering fractions. We will then move on to learning about decimals, learning the decimal equivalents of common fractions and how to add and subtract decimal numbers.

### Knowledge & Understanding

**Science-** We will continue our habitat longitudinal study of our chosen area in the copse. We also will complete a unit on electricity, learning how circuits are made and which materials conduct electricity.

**ICT-** We will be making databases about Australian marsupials and creating animations about them too.



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### Physical Education (PE)

This half– term in Year 4 we are learning how to play badminton and we are also learning about climbing and how to balance on the wall bars.

**Please remember kit!**  
PE day is Monday and Tuesday.

### Creative Curriculum

**R.E-** We will be learning about Mary Holy Mother of God and how this figure is important to many Christians.

**Art-** linked to our topic we will be learning about Aboriginal painting styles and trying our own.

**Outdoor Learning-** We will continue our habitat longitudinal study of our chosen area in the copse.

### Reminders and Events –

Library Time – Wednesdays  
PE day -Monday and Tuesday  
6.3.20 - World Book day dressing up  
30.3.20: 2pm-3.00pm – Parent Outcome event

### Ideas for home

Please continue to read aloud at home to a grown-up.  
By making a note of this reading in their diary, they will earn a raffle ticket for every 5 times they read.  
Homework will be given out every Thursday to be completed by the following Tuesday.  
Please continue to help your child learn their multiplication tables!