



## Shincliffe CE Primary School Home / School Links

During this half term the children in Year 4 will be looking at the following areas:

Curriculum Area	Content to be taught in school	Possible Activities to be completed at home
English	This half term, children will study the book 'Journey' and develop creativity through understanding how pictures can help to form narratives. They will write a persuasive poster, giving instructions about how to use their magical item. They will build upon their use of direct speech and descriptive writing.	Read, Read, Read! Please continue to hear your child read and remember to record it in their reading journals at least three times per week. It helps them develop ideas for their own writing as well as experiencing good sentence structure. As well as this, support your child, as appropriate, with their English homework.
Maths	Children will find the area and perimeter of shapes. They will also estimate and use inverse operations to check answers to calculations, with a focus on measurements and conversions. Children will develop confidence in adding and subtracting numbers with up to four digits using efficient written methods. Children will also add and subtract fractions with the same denominator. Children must continue to learn times table and division facts up to the 12 times tables and square numbers up to 20.	Take time to practise learning their times tables as this will help with a range of areas in maths and is an important statutory target which they need to achieve by the end of Year 4. As well as this, support your child, as appropriate, with their maths homework.
Science	Children will understand living things and their habitats. They will consider how to protect different habitats and what they can do to improve them. Children will also look at food chains and the difference between predator and prey.	Encourage children to spot different habitats and talk about real life examples of the different aspects of science.
Computing	Children will understand how to be a good digital citizen by thinking about online privacy and security, and develop their skills in word processing by creating	Talk about the importance of using the Internet to be kind to others in the online community, and allow time to practise their computing skills e.g. typing a

	a variety of pieces of writing for the purpose of communication.	news report of their day or writing a slogan for a campaign.
RE	Children will learn about why people visit sacred places by considering what pilgrimages are and finding out about the pilgrimages undertaken by different faiths.	Talk to your child about special journeys you make and what you do to prepare to go on them.
History	Children will be studying the Romans over the next term. This half term, we will learn about the Roman legacy and its impact, and focus on the Roman invasion of Britain.	Go for a walk at Hadrian's Wall and reflect on what life would have been like for the soldiers living at the wall.
MFL	In this unit the children will be learning about clothes. They will describe what they are wearing in French by colour. By the end of this unit they will be able to express what they are wearing in full sentences in different scenarios in French.	Give children the opportunity to talk about their learning and practise their memory and pronunciation with you.
PE	Children will complete their previous term's learning about team-based invasion games, with a particular focus on hockey, basketball and football, looking at marking and finding space. They will progress to move on to Athletics, developing their running, jumping and throwing techniques.	The skills learnt in PE are best practised to perfect them. Give your child the opportunity to practise the skills they have been taught in school and to watch athletics events and professional games of football, basketball and hockey in person or online.
Music	Children will develop understanding in elements of music by singing and playing the glockenspiel for the song "Mamma Mia".	Find examples of music where the glockenspiel has been used for the children to listen to. Practise singing the song "Mamma Mia" at home and talking about how the music makes them feel.
Art/DT	Children will complete making their lightbox from the last half term. Children will also learn about Roman pottery. They will look at different examples of Roman pots and attempt to create their own.	Look at a range of pottery (modern at home and ancient online) and discuss if they like or dislike it, and why.
PSHCE	Children will learn about money and begin to think about budgets, saving money and how people earn money in our community.	Talk to your child about their aspirations for jobs in the future, and explore ways that your family could save money whilst helping the environment.

