



# St John Vianney Catholic Primary School – Year 4 – Spring 1<sup>st</sup>



## “Seeking Growth Together Through Jesus”

### English

We will be continuing to study the novel ‘The Last Bear’ by Hannah Gold.

- Covering a wide range of reading skills.
- Using Conjunctions to extend sentences.
- Using Fronted Adverbials of time, manner and place.
- Writing dialogue using the correct punctuation for speech.
- Writing paragraphs based around a theme.
- Planning and performing a discussion about climate change based around the themes of the book
- Extending our use of Ambitious Vocabulary in our own writing.
- Exploring different styles of poetry

### Home Learning Platforms

**Microsoft Teams** – this is where homework will be set.

**Spelling Shed** – weekly spelling practise.

**TT rockstars** – Multiplication practise.

**My Maths** – additional maths practise.

**Purple Mash** – multi-skills practise.

### The Arts

**Music** – We will be using Blackpool Music Services for Charanga – and rap will be our music focus. Some children will also be continuing with their cornets.

**Art** – Line drawing using different mediums (ie wax)

### ‘Seeking Growth Together’

This year we have merged our RE, HRSE, PSHE and Core Values curriculum and called it ‘Seeking Growth Together through Jesus’ time as that is St John Vianney’s mission statement.

This half term we will focus on our relationships with God and how He guides us with our relationships with our families and friends.

### Humanities

This year we will be teaching our humanities topics on a repetitive cycle. This half term we will focus on:

#### History

- Topic A – Romans
- Topic B – Iron Age
- Topic C – Victorians

### Maths

**Place Value**

**Number – Multiplication and division**

**Measurement – Area**

**Number – Decimals**

In maths this term we will be looking at different methods of multiplication and division introducing long and short methods of 2 and 3 digit numbers. Then we will go on to area and the working out of rectilinear shape’s areas. Then using our multiplication and division skills of 10 and 100, we will introduce decimal numbers numbers up to a hundredth. We will also be focusing heavily on times tables and arithmetic skills.

### ICT

In computing we use the website ‘Purple Mash’ alongside other resources to create in depth lessons.

This half term we will be focussing on **spreadsheets** using Excel.

### PE

This half term we will be focussing on **Netball**.

This will include:

**Catching skills**

**Throwing a ball with accuracy.**

**Working as a team.**

### Science

**States of matter**

This module introduces the concept of states of matter. Children will learn the characteristic properties of solids, liquids and gases, first through physically exploring typical materials and then by classifying examples, such as powders and very viscous liquids, which are harder to classify. Using first-hand experience and secondary sources they will learn about changes of state and begin to understand freezing and boiling points.