



# Bentley Heath CE Primary School

## Half Termly Learning Overview for Summer Term 2

### Year 4



English		Maths	Science	Religious Education
<p><b>Our key text in English this half term is:</b> Beowulf by Michael Morpurgo</p> <p>Beowulf is based in fifth-century Denmark. Beowulf's terrifying quest to destroy Grendel, the foul fiend, a hideous sea-hag and a monstrous fire-dragon is the oldest surviving epic in British literature. Throughout this unit the children will study historical literature to enable them to write their own kenning poem and comic strip. They will include rhyme and alliteration to create engaging poems. As well as this, they will learn how to use a variety of speech, caption boxes and onomatopoeias to write an interesting comic strip. The children will also be competing a piece of instructional writing which will contain both imperative verbs and descriptive language.</p>		<p>In maths the children will begin by looking at time. The children will be able to read the time on an analogue and digital clock as well as looking at time within days, weeks, months and years. Furthermore, the children will look at statistics by interpreting different graphs before moving onto properties of shape. In shape the children will cover angles, triangles and symmetry.</p>	<p>In Science this half term the children will be looking at the States of Matter. The children will be participating in a number of investigations to see the changes within the States of Matter such as melting and freezing. The children will look at boiling and freezing points before moving on to looking at evaporation. Finally, the children will be looking at the water cycle.</p>	<p>During R.E this half term the children will be looking at Sacred texts and what it means to belong to a religion. We will cover The Bible, The Quran, The Tipitaka and The Guru Granth Sahib. The children will look at what the Holy Texts contain and how they are looked after and respected within the religions.</p>
Music	History	Art		French
<p>This half term the children will be looking at music within film trailers and theme tunes. The children will look at how they set the mood for the telling of the film's story. The theme tune to <i>The Pink Panther</i> will provide the foundation for exploring musical storytelling through listening and composing activities.</p>	<p>In History throughout this half term the children are going to be looking at Anglo-Saxons. We will investigate where this sits within History and what period of time this covers. We also will be looking at invasions, how Anglo-Saxon Britain was ruled and how British life has been shaped because of this. The children will also look at key events and make links back to their previous topic 'Vikings'.</p>	<p>Throughout this half term the children will be looking at the works of many different artists such as David Hockney, Paula Rego and Edward Hopper. The children will investigate what the meaning of different aspects of paintings could be. The children will then create their own abstract piece of art to convey a story.</p>		<p>Throughout the half term the children will be looking at the concept of time in French. This will include numbers from 11-30, days of the week, months of the year and saying when their birthdays are.</p>
Personal, Social & Health Education	Physical Education	Computing	How you can help your child at home	
<p>Throughout the 'Changing Me' unit the children will look at personal characteristics that have come from their birth parents and that this happened because we are made from the joining of an egg and sperm. The children will look at how the circle of change works and how to apply it to changes we want to make in our lives. Furthermore, looking at identifying changes that have been and may continue to be outside of our control and learning how to accept this.</p>	<p>Children will be enjoying Agility sessions within their outdoor PE Sessions this half term. In their Indoor PE sessions, children will be focusing on improving their balance, co-ordination, and ball throwing skills. Swimming also continues this half term.</p>	<p>In Computing, children will be using Scratch Jr to code. This unit will teach a basic understanding of algorithms and how to create precise instructions for visual working programs. The children will develop their sense of creating, debugging and logical reasoning in order to code their own sprite.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Read to or with your child every day</li> <li>✓ Talk about new vocabulary children come across in their reading</li> <li>✓ Practise multiplication tables at home as often as possible. We recommend 15 minutes per day. Children should be confident with their multiplication tables up to 12x12. This will help them in preparation for the Multiplication check in June</li> <li>✓ Practise the year 3 &amp; 4 spelling words as well as all common exception words that children are unsure on.</li> </ul>	