# Year 4 Spring 2 2024 Why is Huddersfield a cool place to live?

## **English**

Our English focus this half term will be narrative. We will read the text 'The Train to Impossible Places' - developing our reading skills by answering VIPERS questions, learning how to retrieve evidence in writing and form a written answer.

## **Maths**

We will be consolidating skills in and gain further confidence with using formal written methods for the multiplying and dividing (using estimation and inverse to check the answers to our calculations). We will start to look at fractions.

#### **Science**

We will study and investigate classifying and grouping living things. We will also be studying endangered animals.

Key Vocabulary	
Amphibians	A cold-blooded vertebrate animal that has gills and usually lives
	near water. For example: frogs, newts and salamanders.
Birds	A warm-blooded vertebrate animal that lays eggs, has wings and
	usually feathers. For example: a parrot and an eagle.
Classification	Arranging animals/plants into groups according to their similarities
	and differences.
Deforestation	The clearing of a large area of trees.
Endangered	
Extinct	A species of animal or plant which no longer has any living
	members.
Fish	A cold-blooded vertebrate animal with gills and fins who live
	mostly in water. For example: a pike, goldfish and sea bass.
Habitat	Where a plant or animal lives.
Insects	A small six-legged animal that has an exoskeleton. This means they
	have a hard shell-like covering on the outside of their bodies.
Invertebrate	
Living Thing	Refers to things that are now or once were alive.
Mammals	
Reptiles	A cold-blooded vertebrate animal which has dry, scaly skin and lays
	eggs. For example: snakes, lizards and turtles.
Skeleton	The bone structure that protects the internal organs of living
	things.
Vertebrate	

# <u>R.E.</u>

We will be looking at Gurus and Sikhism.

## Computing

Writing for Different Audiences - in this unit, children learn that technology can be used to organise, reorganise, develop, and explore ideas, and that working with information in this way can aid understanding.



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As Geographers we will be finding out why Huddersfield is such a good place to live. What features and attractions make our town special? We will learn the history behind the town and where Huddersfield is geographically.

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Key Vocabulary	
City	a town created a city by charter and usually
_	containing a cathedral.
Continents	any of the world's main continuous expanses of
	land
County	a territorial division of some countries
District	an area of a country or city
Equator	a great circle of the earth that is equally
	distant from the two poles and divides the
	surface into the northern and southern
	hemispheres.
Landmarks	an object or feature of a landscape or town that
	is easily seen and recognised
Magnetic Poles	each of the two points or regions of a magnet to
	and from which the lines of magnetic force are
	directed.
Northern Hemisphere	the half of the earth that is north of the equator.
Oceans	a very large expanse of sea
Postcode	a group of numbers or letters and numbers
	which are added to a postal address to assist the
	sorting of mail.
Regions	the parts of a country outside the capital or chief
	seat of government
Southern Hemisphere	the half of the earth that is south of the equator.
Town	a built-up area with a name, defined boundaries.
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### **Homework**

All children have been given a letter with their Edshed login. This will now be used in place of homework booklets. Not only does it personalise your child's learning and enable us to support your children as best we can in school, it is also more fun for your child with lots of games for them to play! They have assignments set which are their spellings for the week and the timetable they are practicing that week. They should also read their reading book to an adult at home. You can help us by ...

Encouraging your child to learn the subject vocabulary linked to their topics.

Helping your child to bring their PE kit on the correct days.

Thank you, Mr Booth, Miss Agar and Mrs Downs.