Year 4 Term 2a (2017-18)

Literacy

Using the context of film production the children will be taught to write about characters in narrative form and revise the conventions of letter and diary writing. They will work together in production teams and write, produce and star in their own film! They will spend time planning, drafting and refining their writing. Much of their reading will be about the context and location of the story of Eldorado. **Phonics, reading, spelling, grammar and handwriting are ongoing.**

Art

The children will refine their colour mixing skills. They will look at Rousseau's rainforest paintings and replicate a detail from one of these using careful observational skills.

Music

The children will learn to play the drums and perform for an audience.



RE

Sikhism: awareness raising about this faith. The children will learn about the beliefs and the rituals.

PE

Swimming will take place on **Wednesday** afternoons. PE: Netball and multi skills on Thursday afternoon.

As part of the film process the children will be word processing, editing and using imovie on the ipads. They will learn some basic coding techniques. They will use the internet to research the topic.

The Temple of Boom: Overview

Numeracy

The children will be taught a range of mental and written strategies to develop their skills with a focus on multiplication and division and particularly fractions. They will refine their pencil and paper methods for addition and subtraction too.

Where relevant, cross-curricular links will be made and skills developed in context.

PSHE/Philosophy/Thinking skills: Relationships

Through discussions, games and activities the children will become more aware of others' feelings and how their own actions impact on others. They will continue to learn to work together towards shared goals.

French

The children will become familiar with some French words and phrases through games and activities. They will listen to some traditional stories told in French.

Geography: North America

The children will locate North America on maps and globes and learn about the key features. They will study the geographical features of different landscapes and climates.

History: Explorers

The children will become familiar with the stories of Christopher Columbus.

Homework

Homework to support classroom work will be handed out each Monday and must be back in school on Friday.