

# Year 4 - Canada Summer 1

## RE

Our RE topic is Thinking about God. We will identify some of the ways in which different religions name and describe attributes of God and make links with belief and practice.



## English

In English we will be exploring a modern day fairy-tale. A variety of media will be used to stimulate creative writing including books, films pictures and music. Our main text will be "The Iron Man" by Ted Hughes. We will practise writing scenes from different characters' points of view, writing in the first person. Our reading target focuses on exploring the devices that writers use to entertain the reader. We will also write a detailed report about life in Canada.

# CANADA

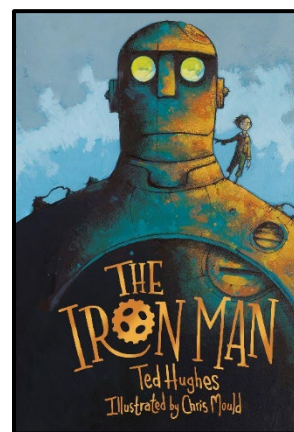


## Art /D&T

Much of our artwork this half term will be inspired by the story of "The Iron Man", in particular the illustrations of Chris Mould. We will create representations of the Iron Man using a variety of media and techniques, including printing and sculpture.

## MFL

In French we will be looking at sports, days of the week and healthy eating.



## Computing

We will be continuing to develop our skills through the various tiles on J2E, BGFL focussing on data bases and branch.



## Physical Education

As well as swimming children will develop their confidence with throwing and catching and participate in invasion style games. As the weather improves athletic activities- running, jumping and throwing will be taught.



## History and Geography

We will investigate where Canada is in the world, and learn about its physical features, the weather and climate, native animals and the original types of settlement and land use.



## Relationship and Health Education

In our topic on "Staying safe" we will focus on cycle safety, looking at distractions on the road and how our actions can cause others harm.



## Music

We will continue to learn to play the steel drums.



## Maths

We will learn about **decimals**, recognising tenths and hundredths as decimals. We will learn to recognise and work with decimals using place value grids and number lines.

Children will also learn how to partition, compare and order decimals.

They will also look at how to write money using decimals, compare, estimate and calculate as well as solving problems.

Children need to know all their times tables by heart ready for the Multiplication Check.



## Science

Our topic is "Electricity". We will be learning to:

- identify common appliances that run on electricity
- construct a simple series electrical circuit, identifying and naming its basic parts, including cells, wires, bulbs, switches and buzzers
- identify whether or not a lamp will light in a simple series circuit, based on whether or not the lamp is part of a complete loop with a battery
- recognise that a switch opens and closes a circuit and associate this with whether or not a lamp lights in a simple series circuit
- recognise some common conductors and insulators, and associate metals with being good conductors

