

# Spring Term 2012 in Year 4

## First Half Term



### Year 4 topics for the 1<sup>st</sup> half term:

**Maths:** Number rules, fractions, multiplication, division, 2D and 3D shapes.

**English:** Science and fantasy fiction, information texts.

**Geography:** Rainforests - location, climate, physical features, people of the rainforest, threats to the rainforests.

**Science:** Habitats - types of habitat, animals' adaptations, food chains, animal classification.

**ICT:** Branching databases.

**Art:** Henri Rousseau and rainforest art.

### 'Scheherazade'

Rehearsals for our production of 'Scheherazade' are now underway and we are all looking forward to our show on 30 January. We will be looking for help with make-up on the big day so please let your child's class teacher know if you are able to help.

### Mathemagicians Day

19 January - a chance for us to celebrate the world of numbers! As part of this day, and to reinforce the concept that maths is fun, we will be holding a Maths Buffet when all the food will be in different 3D shapes! Look out for the forthcoming letter giving further details.

### Year 4 Challenge Award

This term will see the launch of our exciting and brand new Year 4 Challenge Award. We will be asking the children if they want to learn a new skill, independently and in their own time. We will provide them with a log book to record their progress and a reward at the end of their training, as well as providing them with advice and encouragement. It will be a voluntary programme but one which we hope the children will sign up to, as it gives them the chance to show their independent learning skills.

Watch the letters for more details!

### Dates for your Diary:

- 15 January: After school activities begin.
- 19 January: Mathemagicians Day.
- 27 January: FoSC Cricket Picnic
- 30 January: Scheherazade
- 5 February: Prophet's Birthday. School closed (subject to confirmation).
- 23-26 February: Half Term.