## **Year 4 Curriculum Overview**

## Autumn Term 1

Topic Context (inc 'memorable experience)	English	History	Science /Art / Music /P.E.	Visits/Enrichment
The Tudors How they came to power Henry VIII and his wives Living in Tudor times  Memorable experience: Visit of Tudor Lady	Story Writing: Use The Balaclava Boys, discussions, stimulus. Writing endings of stories, focussing on punctuation, sentence construction, word types. As Newspaper reports were a little too complex for sets B & C, we decided that these sets would look at recounts. Newspaper Reports (Sets A1/A2): Use a Hat-trick of Break-ins as example and for T4W. Focus on: speech (quotes), conjunctions, paragraphing and report writing. Children to write newspaper report about the beheading of Anne Boleyn. Recount Writing (Sets B/C): Focus on layout, features, types of sentences. Children to write their own report about the visit of the Tudor Lady. Diary Writing: Use Diary of a Killer Cat as example. T4W, children to write their own entries, moving on to another animal, character. Write diary extract in the character of Henry VIII. Poetry: Guided Reading/Shared Reading Texts: My Friend Walter (class story) Diary of a Killer Cat (A1, A2, B – C set story) Diary of a Killer Cat (A1, A2, B – C set story)	The War of the Roses. How the Tudors began.  The Tudor Family Tree. Create their own Tudor family tree, make it look authentic using coffee.  Henry VIII's wives. Learn what happened to each one (learn song) learn names of wives in order.  Tudor Houses, make own Tudor House  Tudor Food, make pottage  Tudor life  All work to be put in individual Tudor scrap books.	Science: Sound What is sound? How do we hear sound? How can volume be measured? What changes the pitch of sound? Does distance depend on sound?  Art: Portraits of Henry VIII and wives  Make their own Tudor Rose by using templates  Other art: Secondary/tertiary colours.  Different ways of shading  Music: Learn to play the recorder (a Tudor instrument) and basic notation. To be performed at open afternoon  P.E: Fencing Gymnastics Netball	Visit of the Tudor Lady This will comprise of a presentation telling children stories from Tudor times, Talking about how the Tudors lived and clothes they wore. The Tudor lady comes dressed and in role of a tudor and children can participate. Artefacts are then passed round and children have the opportunity to ask questions.  At end of topic: A tudor day where children come to school dressed up and participate in Tudor activities. This will incorporate year four's open afternoon.