

Dear Year 4, Parents & Carers,

Here is our enquiry question for this half term. Please use these ideas to help your research or bring things into class to support your learning.

Have Fun!

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GREENFIELDS  
COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL



Lower Key Stage 2 ~ Autumn I  
CURRICULUM OVERVIEW

**Why is the River Tyne so important to Newcastle?**



As AUTHORS we will:

- Write in role as characters from *The Machine Gunners*
- Write playscripts inspired by scenes for our class text.
- Write and perform a radio news broadcast .

As PERFORMERS we will:

- Create, rehearse and perform dances from music originating from Newcastle.
- Learn Geordie songs.

As MATHEMATICIANS we will:

- Read compass points and locate places using these.
- We will look at negative numbers in relation to temperature.
- Rounding to the nearest ten, hundred and a thousand.
- Plot features by a river using co-ordinates.

As READERS we will:

- Read extracts from *The Machine Gunners* .
- Use dictionaries and glossaries to check the meaning of words in context.

As ARTISTS we will:

- Research and sketch buildings along The River Tyne.
- To use a printed image of a River Tyne building and combine it with other media to produce an image.

As SCIENTISTS we will:

- Study water in its different states, through the Water Cycle.

As HISTORIANS we will:

- Look at the history of The River Tyne including the importance of the shipyards.
- Studying aspects of World War Two around Tynemouth using *The Machine Gunners*.
- Uses of The River Tyne, then and now.

As GEOGRAPHERS we will:

- Locate The River Tyne on a map of Newcastle.
- Discuss location of Newcastle within the UK, Europe and the World.
- Look at how rivers are formed and discuss the terminology associated with rivers.
- Plot the Tyne from Source to Sea.

**A QUICK REMINDER!**

**PE kit**

In year 4 our PE days are on a Wednesday and Thursday. Please ensure your child has the correct kit on those days.

**Water Bottles**

Children should bring water bottles every day.

As DESIGNERS we will:

- Plan, and build a water-tight ship.