

## Spring Term 2020

## Year 4

Dear Parents/Carers,

Happy New Year, we hope you had an excellent Christmas.

This leaflet contains an overview of what your child will be learning in the Foundation subjects.

Below, we have included what the children will be learning about in English and Maths.

In English we are learning about:

### **First half term:**

We will be learning about adventure stories, reporting the news, creating witness accounts and developing questioning for interviews.

### **Second half term:**

We will be looking at writing portal stories that involve overcoming a problem and then writing to persuade.

In Maths we are learning about:

### **First half term:**

We will extend our understanding of the four operations and look at shape and direction.

### **Second half term:**

We will learn about how to convert between fractions and decimals and solving problems involving decimals. We will continue to learn about multiplication and division strategies. We will also be solving problems involving time.

### **Science:**

We plan to carry out a forensic investigation. (Taking of fingerprints)

### **Music:**

We will be creating atmospheric music using guitars.

### **History:**

We will be looking at crime and the development of British law.

### **PE:**

We will be swimming, learning about table tennis and circuit training.

### **MFL:**

We will look at language to do with clothing.

### **RE:**

We will be exploring how Christian beliefs affect their lives.

### **In the first half term our**

#### **Topic is:**

Why do we have laws?

### **Art/ Design &**

#### **Technology:**

We will design and make a game box.

### **ICT:**

We will use a range of media to develop our own news broadcast.

### **PSHE:**

We will be exploring rights and responsibilities associated with feeling safe.

### **Science:**

We will look at sound, how it travels and electricity.

### **ICT:**

We will publish a non-chronological report.

### **Music:**

We will be playing and composing Skiffle music using guitars.

### **MFL:**

We will learn about language associated with location.

### **In the second half term our**

#### **Topic is:**

How does sound and light travel?

### **RE:**

We will examine and compare some religious practices associated with Christianity and Judaism.

### **Art/Design &**

Technology:  
We will design and make an electrical gadget.

### **PE:**

We will be swimming, learning how to play handball and football.

### **PSHE:**

We will be looking at how to identify risks and respond to them.

**General Information:**

Please ensure your child's uniform and PE kit are **clearly named**. On your child's PE day, please ensure that earrings are removed for health and safety reasons or the children have tape in school.

**PE day for each class is as follows:**

Thursday

For all three classes swimming is on a Wednesday afternoon.

**Homework:**

- Reading - This needs to be done daily and recorded in their reading diaries.
- Times tables - Children should be spending a minimum of 5 minutes each day on Times Table Rock Stars.
- Maths - A weekly task will be set. Work will be set on Monday and is to be handed in the following Monday.
- English - This homework will go out on Monday and is to be handed in the following Monday.
- Spellings - This homework will go out on Friday. There will be a spelling test on the following Friday.

We are encouraging the children to become more independent by following the 5Rs of readiness, resilience, resourcefulness, responsibility and reflectiveness, so please remind your child that it is their responsibility to do their homework and hand in their homework and reading diaries on time.

There is a homework club on Monday break time and Wednesday lunchtime should your child not do their homework or you wish them to do it in school.

If you would like to discuss any aspect of this booklet or have any other concerns about your child, do not hesitate to come and see us.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Yours Sincerely,

Mr Clarke, Mrs Latham, Mrs Rushmer and

Mrs Roberts

# Parent Information



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