

Summer Term 2022

Year 4

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you had an excellent Easter. Here are the topic overviews for your child for this term.

The topic overviews are designed to incorporate all the National Curriculum objectives from 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:

- Narrative- reading and writing stories that involve a journey
- Reading and writing non-chronological reports about features of the Amazon

Second half term:

- Narrative - reading and writing stories with cliff hangers
- Discussion - writing discussion texts about the issue of deforestation

In Maths we are learning about:

First half term:

We will be looking at decimals and applying our understanding to money. We will also be looking at symmetry.

Second half term:

We will continue to look at shape and co-ordinates. We will learn about charts and line graphs. Alongside this, we will be recapping the concepts learnt over the year.

Art: We are looking at Rousseau paintings of the jungle and developing art work in his style.

Science: We will be investigating solids, liquids, gases and the processes involved in the water cycle.

RE: We will be looking at how religion teaches right from wrong.

ICT: We will be 'hardware investigators' looking at effective internet searching and computer parts.

In the first half term our topic is:
Is the Amazon more than a river?

PE: We will develop our swimming and tennis skills.

Music: We will be listening to "The Blues" They will compose a song about an unusual animal and study song structure.

Geography: We will be investigating the Amazon rainforest and river and how they are linked.

PSHE: We will be looking at how legal drugs and alcohol affect health.

Science: We will be identifying animals using classification keys, also understanding the difference between vertebrate and invertebrates.

Geography: We will be looking at human impact upon planet Earth.

French: We will learn language associated with animals of the rain forest.

ICT: We will be creating a PowerPoint presentation to answer our topic question.

In the second half term our topic is:
How Can We Help Save the Planet?

Music: We will be learning about Doowop music and singing in harmony.

RE: We will be continuing to learn how religion teaches right and wrong.

PE: We will develop our swimming and athletics skills.

Art: We will be creating sculptures from plastic bottles based on the work by Veronika Richterová.

PSHE: We will be learning how to look after ourselves with a focus on diet and sleep.

General Information:

We are hoping to visit Thameside Nature Reserve to support our learning about habitats and food chains in the second half of term.

PE:

On your child's PE day, please send your child in an outdoor school PE uniform with their hair tied back and earrings tapped/removed. Children should have a plain white t-shirt and black shorts/tracksuit for PE.

Wednesday - Swimming

Thursday - children to wear their PE kit to school

Homework:

- **Reading** - This needs to be done daily and recorded in the reading diaries. Reading diaries are checked on a Friday. Children have their reading challenges to complete.
- **Maths/Times tables** - These should be practiced on a daily basis using the TT Rockstars website. There is a national times tables check in June.
- **English** - This homework is set on Reading Eggs on Friday and is to be completed by the following Friday.
- **Spellings** - This homework will go out on Friday. There will be a spelling test the following Friday

There is a homework club on Friday Lunchtime should your child not do their homework at home.

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.

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 E Clarke, Mrs J Latham & Mrs A Rushmer

Parent Information



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