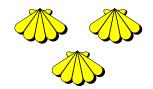


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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a lovely Easter holiday and are looking forward to the summer term in Year 4. Please find below an outline of the topics we will be covering this term.

In **English** we will be concentrating on developing our fiction writing skills in the first half term. During our lessons, we will be reading 'Flotsam' by David Wiesner and 'My name is not Refugee' by Kate Milner to inspire our own writing. Later in the term, for our non-fiction topic, we will be looking at a range of discussion texts and using these to inspire writing and debate. We will also continue to explore various forms of poetry and carry out Big Write tasks to further develop independent writing and editing skills. **Guided Reading, Spelling, Grammar** and **Handwriting** will also be taught on a regular basis.

In **Maths**, the topics we are covering will include Formal Division, Time, Statistics, Roman Numerals, Negative Numbers, Geometry, Coordinates and Area. In addition to these topics, we will continue to focus on the times tables, with regular practise in class, in preparation for the Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check in June.

In **Science**, we will be learning about States of Matter this term. The children will be learning about the differences between solids, liquids and gases. We will carry out various scientific investigations to help us to classify objects, explore their properties and observe materials as they change state.

In **RE**, the children will continue to explore Hinduism, and Christianity with Mrs Cox. This term's focus will be on the role of justice and fairness within these beliefs.

In **Geography** this term, the children will be exploring Earthquakes and Volcanoes. We will be finding out about the causes, outcomes and locations of earthquakes and volcanoes around the world. Then, in the second half of the term, our **History** topic will be Crime and Punishment. We will be investigating the different ways that crime and punishment has changed over time.

















In **DT**, during the first part of this term, we will be doing some cooking. The children will be finding out about seasonal ingredients and using measuring and whisking skills to produce some healthy bakes. In the second half of term, we will be studying colour and printing skills in our **Art** lessons. We will be exploring the work of Orla Kiely and use this to create our own printed patterns.

Computing will be taught through the Purple Mash scheme of work and will include units on Logo and Animation.

During their **French** lessons this term, the children will be learning phrases and vocabulary linked to the topics of 'The Classroom' and 'Goldilocks'.

In **Music**, the children will be continuing with their lessons in string instruments, as well as exploring other musical instruments and singing with Mrs Earl.

Our **PE** sessions will take place on **Tuesday** and **Friday** afternoons. Please ensure that the children have the correct, named, PE kit with them on these days and are prepared for outdoor activities in cold or wet weather. They will also need a named water bottle in school every day, preferably with a lift up lid rather than a screw cap, to prevent spillages.

Homework is set every Friday, to be handed in by the following **Wednesday**. Please can you also read with your child/children at least 5 times a week, and sign their reading record to show when this has been done, thank you. Listening to them read aloud and asking questions to check their understanding of the story and vocabulary will really help them to make progress with their reading and writing.

As always, please feel free to contact me via the office if you require any further information, or ever have any concerns.

Mrs Todd Class Teacher















