

Dates for your diary:

Trip to The River and Rowing Museum, Wed, April 6th tbc
 Parents meetings – dates to be confirmed
 Visit from the PCSO (Police Community Support Officer) -
 date to be confirmed

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Core Value: Respect – Friendship/Responsibility

PE Reminders: Please ensure that your child has PE kit in school every day.

Forest School reminders: children must have both suitable footwear and clothes. I suggest that these items come to school in a separate carrier bag (or two) as they will get muddy!



Our topic for the Spring Term is 'Dreams and Goals'. The topic web below outlines how the different subject areas will be covered. Please note: Some activities may change or different activities may be added depending upon which areas the class choose to investigate further.

English

We are continuing to teach 'The Write Stuff'. The children are motivated by different inputs such as extracts, songs, poems and film clips. We have started using Ashley Booth resources three times a week to deliver our Reading Comprehensions and these are now supplemented with Pixl 31n3 reading tasks each morning and two extra sessions of Pixl Punctuation and Grammar. Spelling is following the Spelling Shed programme and each new pattern will be introduced on a Tuesday. The children will be practising handwriting in every lesson and will always be guided, helped and encouraged to write in a neat, legible, cursive style. We will continue to listen to the children read when possible and ask that you try to do the same at home, as much as possible.

Topic: Geography - Rivers

We will be looking at how rivers are born; the journey of a river; great rivers of the world; the River Thames; humans and rivers; river management; hydrology.
 In April, we will be rounding off our topic with a visit to the River and Rowing Museum for some educational workshops. tbc

Computing

Children will continue to familiarise themselves with computer hardware and software. They will be looking at eBooks. Internet safety continues to be of paramount importance and this will be revisited frequently.

Art

This term our topic in Art is 'Rivers'. The children will be looking at the paintings of Claude Monet; mixing a colour palette; watercolours; creating depth in colour; trying new techniques and creating their own paintings. The children will look closely at Monet's garden at Giverny and his series of paintings of the River Thames, reflecting on his use of colour and light. They will also consider how, using his unique techniques, Monet created an impression of light and water.

Maths

Year 5 will continue to follow the White Rose Maths scheme.
 Year 6 have an adapted programme which reflects the need both to deliver the curriculum and to fill any gaps that might exist in their knowledge. We will be using a combination of Pixl 3 in 3, weekly tests, weekly therapies, CGP homework and lots and lots of practice with SATS questions.

Music

We will be learning about the traditional music of Africa.
Key Vocabulary; pulse; score; graphic score; Hatsiasia and rhythm.

French

Children will continue to use the Salut! Programme. Up to half-term they will be familiarising themselves with 'Eating Out'.

Science

This term we will be studying Darwin and the theory of evolution and inheritance. To include:
 An investigation of Darwin
 To explore the term 'survival of the fittest'
 To explain the importance of the Galapagos islands
 To investigate other theories on Evolution and discuss their validity
 To research animals and how they have adapted to their environments
 To apply knowledge on dominant and recessive features of inheritance

If you have any questions at all, please get in touch via the school email below.
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Gymnastics and Forest School

Each class will have a weekly gymnastics lesson with Miss White and Forest School with Mrs Chilvers and Mrs Lambelin. Please ensure your child has their P.E. kit in school every day and suitable clothing and footwear for Forest School.

PSHE

This half term, our topic is 'Dreams and Goals' We will discuss what the future might hold for us in terms of jobs and careers; family and other things we want to achieve. We will also discuss the importance of money to achieve our goals

R.E.

This term we will be learning about Hinduism. We will learn about being multi-faceted; the tri-murti and its links to Christian belief in Trinity; Brahman and pantheism.