



Curriculum Newsletter

Year 4 Summer 2024

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This is a summary of the learning programme for your child this term:

	English	Children will continue to be exposed to a range of fiction and non-fiction texts, in order to develop their comprehension skills through a variety of different subjects. This term's exciting topic, 'Incredible India', will provide a great stimulus for our writing, providing us with a wealth of opportunities to write for different purposes, including a persuasive advert, newspaper article and debate about the welfare of Indian elephants.
	Maths	As well as continuing to reinforce and build on the children's understanding of number, this term we will be focussing on measurement, angles and shape. We will also be looking at co-ordinates and plotting these on a map.
	Topic	During the summer term we will be exploring our Geography based topic, 'Incredible India'. We will be using map skills, including digital mapping software, as well as globes and atlases to find the location of India, as well as identifying human and physical features of the country. We will compare lifestyles within different areas, as well as immersing ourselves within the culture, foods and beliefs.
	Science	This term our focus is on animals including humans. We will investigate human teeth and those of other animals, followed by a study of the human digestive system, where we will learn about the journey food takes from entering the body to leaving it. Finally, we will study the classification of animals and plants, as well as investigating food chains.
	Religious Education	This term we will continue to compare Christian and Muslim beliefs. We will investigate stories from the Bible, as well as developing a greater understanding of the core message of Islam, as delivered by the Prophets. We will also explore Hinduism during our Incredible India topic.
	Music	In Music this term, children will be listening to and learning about Bhangra music. They will identify different instruments played and learn about the famous sitar musician Ravi Shankar. As well as playing tuned and untuned instruments, children will also look at how music can be produced electronically.
	PSHE	The main focus will be on relationships. We will explore the differences and similarities between people, how these can sometimes cause conflict, and identify ways to deal with problems. Towards the end of the term, we will look back at the year and consider the question: <i>What have I achieved?</i>
	Computing	The main focus will be coding using the web-based programme 'Scratch'. The children will learn how to write their own code to animate characters. E-safety will also be revisited and we will continue to use the Internet for research into other curriculum areas.
	PE	During the first half term we will be improving our skills in striking and fielding games through our sessions on cricket and rounders. During the second half term, we will be practising athletics as well as preparing for our sports day. PE lessons will continue to take place on Mondays with our new sports coach and on a Thursday with the class teachers.
	Modern Foreign Languages	We will continue to develop our speaking, listening and questioning skills by learning how to describe ourselves and others during our French lessons. In addition to this we will also learn vocabulary to help us talk about the sports we like and dislike.