

Y4 Term 3 Curriculum 2024

Dear Y4 Parents/Carers.

Welcome to a new year as we head through winter towards spring. You will recall that our learning is now based all around 'Big' questions, children researching and having hands on experiences. Below is an outline of the questions that your child will be learning to answer over the next few weeks. We hope that this gives you information on what's happening in school but also allow you to support, research and enhance understanding at home.

As readers, all Y4 children will be reading from 'Cloud Tea Monkeys' by Mal Peet and Elsbeth Graham. As writers we will learn how to write expanded sentences using persuasive styles to convince a reader. We will try to convince readers to visit beautiful Eastbourne! We will also learn to identify the features of play scripts. Our classes will explore poetry from Michael Rosen's 'On The Move'. Feel free to read any of the texts at home with your child.

In maths lessons we follow a mastery approach. This means that we immerse and broaden a child's mathematical understanding before moving on. Our main study will be with multiplication and division, alter moving to explore statistics and data.

As scientists we will be answering 'Can matter change?' (Chemistry). We will learn about the different states of matter and how solids can become liquids and gases by chemical change. We will take temperatures during these changes and learn about evaporation, condensation and melting points. We will explore patterns and record our findings.

We are learning to be geographers. Our Big question for Term 3 is 'Why are jungles so wet and deserts so dry?' We will explore why the climate is different in different parts of the UK and various parts of our planet. We will look at climate graphs and learn how climate can affect plants and animals in different locations.

In RE we ask, 'How do festivals and family life show what matters to a Muslim?' and will explore what Muslims believe about God taken from the first chapter of the Qur'an. In PSHE we are asking 'How can you make dreams come true?' learning about how people deal with hope and disappointment in life. In Art we are learning 'How can we paint in the style of an artist?' and we will be investigating the work of Georgia O'Keeffe. Please search and explore her work at home with your child. Finally in computing we will be asking 'How Are Patterns Created using Repetition and Shapes?' as we explore giving commands to create drawings on our screens.

We hope this information gives you a good picture of what your child will be learning at school this term and very much look forward to sharing the results of learning with you during our open event in the last week of this half term in February.				