

Year 4 Summer Term 2021



English:

We will begin the summer term by reading the book: 'Flotsam' by David Weisner. This book links with our creative curriculum topic, **Blue Abyss**. The text will provide opportunities for writing different genres and improving grammar. We will then move onto 'The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane' by Maria DiCamillo and non-chronological reports and explanations as the second part of the summer term our topic is **Road Trip USA**.

We will be concentrating on subordinate clauses, adverbial phrases, the perfect form and past and present tense.

We will also focus on handwriting and spelling via the Spellingshed website.

Creative Curriculum:

This term we are going to study the seas and oceans. We are going to look at the animals that live there. We are also going to see what real divers do when they go underwater. We are going to design and make our own submarine and look at how animals adapt to the different layers of the sea, including the weird sea creatures that live in the deepest parts. We are going to create 3D animals and have our own art exhibition.

After half term, we're going on a road trip to America! We will visit New York where we will use our map skills to navigate our way around some of its most famous landmarks and send a postcard home. We will study the Iroquois tribe; Native Americans with amazing customs and traditions. Then plan a bespoke road trip for Mr Smith and his family of four. They want to spend three weeks in the sunshine. It's going to be a long ride.

Maths:

Over the summer term we will be looking at fractions and decimals. We will be ordering and rounding decimals and writing their equivalents to tenths and hundredths. We will also be looking at time and money.

We are keen for your children to learn their times tables as this term we will be taking part in the multiplication checks which will be statutory next year. The children all have access to Timestables Rockstars and Edshed, where they can practice weekly.

Science:

To link with our topic lessons in science this term, we will be studying living things and their habitats and animals including humans. We will look at how animals have adapted to life in the seas and oceans and the challenges they face.

In summer 2 we will be looking at sound and this will link with our computing work. We will learn how sound travels, how we hear and how we can protect our hearing.

Computing:

This term, we will be creating digital databases. We will use a simple graphing application to present previously collected data. We will add headings and titles to the graph and fields and begin to sort the data in a simple spread sheet in order that conclusions can be drawn. In the second half of the term we will use basic software, including online, choosing, sequencing and layering sounds to create and record simple pieces of digital music.

British Values/PSHE/RE

For RE, we will be looking at the Muslim faith and what it means to be a Muslim and the importance of the Prophet.

For British values, we will be looking at our responsibility as good citizens.

For PSHE, we are looking at 'Health and Wellbeing' this will include; physical and mental health and growing and changing. We have also arranged some 'Wise up' sessions - more details to follow.

PE:

Outdoors - (Friday) The children will be working on team games and summer sports including athletics and cricket.

Inside - (Thursday) Children will be developing their dance, balance and co-ordination.

Children are expected to wear suitable school P.E. kit as stated in the school policy.

Dates for your diary:

Bank Holiday: 3rd May

Polling day 6th May

Half Term: 31st May - 7th June

End of term: 21st July Non uniform day.