

Dear Parents and carers,

Welcome back to school after the Easter break! Our topic this term is 'Emperors and Empires' and our main focus will be History. Please have a look at our knowledge organisers on the website which tell you more in depth what we will be learning this term. Please remember to hear your child read for 10 minutes each day, practise spellings each night and hone our times tables using TTRockstars especially if your child is in Year 4.

Miss Hughes and Miss Guy

Science:

Our first science topic this term is plant nutrition and reproduction. This project teaches children about the requirements of plants for growth and survival. The second topic for the term is light and shadow. We will be investigating the phenomena of reflections and shadows, looking for patterns in collected data. The risks associated with the Sun are also explored.

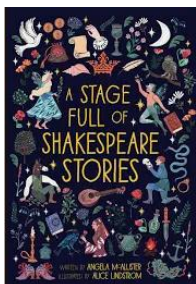
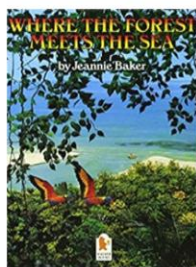


Spanish:

We will be starting two new Spanish topics this term, objects found in our classroom as well as the date and birthdays.

English:

In our English lessons this term, we will first explore Jeanie Baker, Where the forest meets the sea. The main writing outcome will be to create a non-chronological report. This will be done in the style of a zoo information board. Our second text is A Stage Full of Shakespeare Stories, written by Angela McAllister. The children will write a playscript for part of a story.



Maths:

Maths this term will allow us to consolidate our knowledge of fractions. We will begin to look at time, telling the time and converting between analogue and digital times. We will also look at decimals and money as well as shape, position and direction and to finish the year statistics. As mentioned in our previous curriculum newsletter and parents evenings, if your child is in year 4 they will be sitting the online Multiplication Check in June. Please support them at home with practicing their times tables through either questioning them or using TTRockstars.

PE: this term your child will have the opportunity to do Forest School. As well as this we will be looking at leadership skills and be playing quicksticks a style of hockey.

RE: We will be looking at 2 key questions: "What do Hindus believe God is like?" And "How and why do people make the world a better place? Christians, Muslims, nonreligious"

Music:

We will begin by learning more about what goes into making disco music this term. Then we will be learning the songs and dance for our KS2 end of year play.

Computing:

This term we will look at data handling and online safety.

History:

In the Emperors and Empires project, we will learn about the growth and decline of the Roman Republic and the Roman Empire. They will discover the absolute power of the Roman emperors and study the hierarchies of Roman society and the Roman army. They will study the first invasions of Britain in 55 and 54 BC and the Roman conquest of Britain in AD 43. They will learn about Boudicca's rebellion, Hadrian's Wall and the Romanisation of Britain.



Art/DT: We will keep an emperor and empire focus for Art this term, as we will be creating our Roman style mosaic. In D+T, we will be looking at how different Greenhouses are designed and making our very own mini Greenhouse.



PSHE: this term we will be looking at what families are like and what makes a community.