



Curriculum Information for Parents

Spring Term 2

Year
4

Literacy and Maths

Literacy- The Year 4 Non-negotiables will be covered across both literacy and topic lessons. Writing tasks will be connected to the current topics, giving pupils the chance to write for a range of purposes. Relevant grammar and punctuation skills will be taught alongside these writing activities to support their learning. Children are expected to read their school reading book at home at least three times each week, and planners will be checked every Friday. In addition, pupils will read daily in class and take part in a guided reading session each week.

Numeracy- During numeracy, we will continue working on fractions, focusing on adding and subtracting them, including calculations with whole and mixed numbers. We will then move on to decimals, exploring tenths and hundredths as both fractions and decimals using a place value chart. The children will also learn to divide one- and two-digit numbers by 10 and 100.

Topics

Week 1 & 2: SCIENCE – Listen Up – The children will identify how sounds are made and recognise that vibrations from these sounds travel through a medium to the ear. We will look in details at different sounds, their strength and the different patterns between volume and sound. The children will also become familiar with the ear and learn how it works.

Week 3 & 4: HISTORY – Off with Her Head – In this topic children will learn about the Tudors and know the dates of the Tudor reign, when it started and why it ended. They will research this, through the use of Primary and Secondary research.

Week 5&6: RE – Easter - The children will learn and understand how salvation fits into the big story of the Bible. The children will find out about the main events of holy week offer suggestions about how people at the time might have felt and responded to these key events.

Religious Education

The children will take part in an hour long RE lesson every Tuesday in their class. This half term we will be focusing on answering the question – **Why do Christians call the day Jesus died, Good Friday.** We will also attend daily whole school 'Collective Worship'.

Physical Education

Year 4 will take part in PE sessions on Mondays and Thursdays.
Monday – Outdoors - Gymnastics
Thursday – Indoors – Basketball

Computing

This half term, during our computing lessons, we will be focusing on Sound Stories. The children will understand what makes audiobooks effective and identify the key features that make them engaging.

Home Learning and Other Relevant Information

At St Thomas' Leesfield we value the link between home and school, and we recognise parental support is vital to a child's progress and education. Please encourage your child to complete and return any home learning on time. Please discuss your child's learning and topic work and ask about their Always Badge. Please ensure that your child is reading regularly at home. This will need to be recorded in his / her planner. Planners and the home learning cycle will need to be signed every week and will be checked every Friday. Additionally, children need to be accessing TT Rockstars in preparation for the multiplication check which takes place in the Summer Term,