



Curriculum Information for Parents

Summer Term 2

**Year
4**

Literacy and Maths

The non-negotiables will continue to be taught for Year 4 throughout literacy, maths, and topic. Writing opportunities will be linked to the topics and children will write for a range of different purposes along the way. Related spelling, punctuation and grammar will be taught alongside the writing activities. The children will have the opportunity to read daily in class and have a weekly guided reading session. We encourage the children to read a minimum three times a week to build on their skills.

This half term, we will be focusing on angles, names of angles and the properties of triangles, quadrilaterals and polygons. We will then move onto lines of symmetry and completing symmetric figures. We will also be looking at using and plotting coordinates on a grid, including translating shapes on a grid.

Topics

Week 1 and 2 – SCIENCE – Living things and their habitats

We will be looking at different animals and using classification keys to group, identify and name a variety of living things in the environment. We will investigate how the environment can change over time and how this can sometimes pose dangers to living things. The children will also look at invertebrates vertebrates, flowering and non-flowering plants.

Week 3 and 4 – HISTORY – The Sun Never Sets

During this topic we will learn about the British Empire and understand how and when it was established. We will look deeper into the places that were part of the British Empire, places where produce came from, reasons for and against it and when it came to an end.

Week 5 and 6 – Vive la France - MFL

During our French topic, the children will be learning to say, read and write different objects linked to the classroom, different items of clothing that they may wear, and they will revise a range of different greetings and manners. The children will then extend their knowledge further and have a go at reading, writing, and saying some of these words, in simple sentences.

Religious Education

The children will take part in an RE lesson every Tuesday. This half term we will be looking at: 'How and Why People Mark Significant events in life'.

Our school Christian value of Peace will be discussed during collective worship times throughout the week.

Physical Education

Year 4 will take part in PE sessions on Mondays and Thursdays.

Monday – Outdoor - Athletics

Thursday – Indoor - Dance

Computing

This half term the children will develop their coding skills using Purple Mash. Children will learn to use selection, co-ordinates, looping and variables. They will use these coding skills to create their own game.

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.

Thank you for your continued support.