

Newsletter

YEAR 5 Spring 2020

Welcome to the Spring term.

We hope you had a lovely restful break and are looking forward to the new term. We will be covering the following aspects of the National Curriculum through our creative curriculum. Many different links will be made between subjects and activities to immerse the children in their own learning through different themes.

Music will develop an understanding of rifts and composing using the ocarina.



This term the theme is '**Make that change!**' In **English** we will be looking at different types of poetry and reading the book "Cloudbusting". In the second half term our topic is '**Animal Antics**' where we will engage in debating and writing persuasive reports.

History will be comparing different types of crime and punishment in England during the different ages. Geography will be a local study of the area linking with red squirrels.



Circuits will be our focus in **P.E.** and in **Games** we will be doing outdoor adventures using a compass. In the second half we will be playing tennis and tag rugby.

PSHE is focussing on how to cope with everyday worries linking in with our chosen charity, MIND .

In **R.E.** we will be looking at the Bible and discovering where it came from. We will be exploring what it is used for, by whom and why. We will also answer our own big questions about RE.

DT will be designing and making kites and in **Art** the children will be completing observational drawings of natural wildlife.

MFL (French) 'En Ville' learning how to describe the place we live, and what we like about it.

Computing involves programming using Scratch to design a game and presenting using powerpoints.

In **Science** this half term we will be exploring Forces which will link in with our **DT** project making kites.

Maths this term will include Fractions: adding, subtracting, multiplying by whole numbers and mixed numbers. Reading, writing, rounding and comparing decimals. Comparing quantities, finding percentage. Angles: drawing, measuring, in squares and rectangle, on lines. Translations, reflections. Converting units of length.

The second half term we will be studying local habitats and life cycles which will link in with our topic on red squirrels

Homework:

Pupils will be expected to read regularly and learn times tables and complete spelling tasks on our new online framework. There will be some English, Mathematics or a finding out task connected to our Science, Geography or History topics.

In keeping with the schools 'open door policy' if there is a specific concern, issue or question we are happy for you to pop in and see us, afternoons are best or we can arrange another time if need be.

Homework will be given on **Wednesdays** to be returned on time on the following **Wednesday**..