



Parent Curriculum Overview

SPRING TERM 2 2024 ELM CLASS

ENGLISH

We will be embedding the skills we have learnt so far in Year 4 for this half-term unit. We will look at using subordinating conjunctions, expanded noun phrases and prepositional phrases using the book 'Flotsam' to inspire us. It would be lovely if any of you visit a beach over the next few weeks, if you could collect any flotsam or jetsam you might find. We can put it on our display!

Reading is extremely valuable and can improve our spellings, fluency, comprehension and vocabulary in our writing. Please support your child by reading with them regularly.

PSHE

This term our PSHE theme is, 'Healthy Me'. We will discuss keeping our bodies healthy and strong.

COMPUTING

Elm Class will be learning about simple digital animations before putting their knowledge into practise, using Stop Motion technology. They can create their own digital stories and learn how to edit and improve on them during the process.

MUSIC

We have already started learning to sing the song Mama Mia, so we will extend on this by playing the recorders to this song.

PE

PE is on Mondays and Wednesdays. **Please check that your child has the correct PE kit and their shoes are the right size.** The children will be developing their dance skills and athletics skills!

MATHEMATICS

This term we will be focusing on fractions and decimals. Multiplication continues to be a huge focus in Year 4 and, nationally, the children will be required to take part in a multiplication test at the end of the year. Children are expected to know all their times tables up to 12x12. I would expect the children to be on all times tables on TTRS at this point in the year, so please continue to support this process by encouraging your child to access Times Tables Rockstars regularly. Their usernames and passwords are in their Home School Link Books. We are nearly there! Keep going!

Geography and History

Our Geography topic will be based on 'Agriculture'. We will be learning about different types of farming and how this integral role brings food to our stores and homes. In History, we will have a look at Persia and Greece and how these civilisations developed.

DT

We will be making torches in this unit! Last half term we learnt about electrical circuits in Science, so we will be using this knowledge to help us make our own torches. All children will need to bring in a standard plastic bottle (500ml size) in order to make this.

SCIENCE

We will be exploring different living things and how we classify these. We will learn the difference between invertebrates and vertebrates and we will even go on a bug hunt!

RE

This half term we will be focusing on The Hebrew Bible. We will learn many stories that are associated with this sacred book and how these stories are traditionally retold.

INFORMATION

- Please read regularly with your child and comment/sign their home school link book.
- Please support your child to access Times Tables Rockstars regularly. Usernames and passwords are in their home school link books. **The test is coming up!**
- Homework will be issued on a Friday via Dojo.
- Each day, your child needs their water bottle, coat, home school link book and a reading book.
- PE kits need to be in school every day. PE kits should be named. Please check that your child's PE shoes fit and they have a complete kit.
- Year 4 multiplication test in Summer Term.