

**Year 3/4 Curriculum  
Newsletter  
Spring Term 4**



Dear Parents and Carers,

Please have a look over our class curriculum for the coming half term...

**English:**

During this term, it is Book Week. As a school we are focusing on the book 'The day the crayons quit' by Drew Daywalt. We will be researching and writing a biography about the illustrator of the book, Oliver Jeffers. We then have a range of activities throughout book week based on the book, we will be writing letters and persuasive texts throughout these activities. We will also be writing an explanatory text in science as well as a historical fiction story in theme.

**Maths:**

In Maths, we will be continuing our work on multiplication and division and solidifying those methods. We then move on to look at scaling and correspondence problems. After that, we will be looking at length, perimeter and area. We will start with measuring and comparing lengths and converting measurements between m & cm and mm & cm. After, we will be adding and subtracting lengths which will then lead us on to working out the perimeter of shapes. Year 4's will then move on to calculating the area of some shapes.

**Science:**

In Science, our topic is Rocks. We will be comparing and grouping together different kinds of rocks on the basis of their appearance and simple physical properties. We will be able to describe in simple terms how fossils are formed when things that have lived are trapped in rock. We will also be able to recognise that soils are made from rocks and organic matter. We will then be writing an explanatory text about all that we have learnt.

**Theme:**

Our Theme for this term is Victorians. We will be learning all about the Victorian era and how the people at this time lived. We will be looking at how the lives differed for the wealthy and the poor and also how we know about the lives of the Victorians. We will then look at crime and punishment at this time.

**PE & Games:**

On Fridays we will be taking part in athletics activities. We will be able to run fast, medium and slow speeds. We will take part in relays and jump hurdles.

**RE:**

Our main question is –Why do Christians call the day Jesus died 'Good Friday'. We will be looking at Palm Sunday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday and will describe how Christians show their beliefs about these days. We will also be ordering key events within the Bible and linking these to bible stories.

**Music:**

We are continuing our note reading and broadening our knowledge of a variety of notes and songs.

**Computing:**

This term we are focusing on presentation. We will be collecting, organising and presenting data in a digital format. We will then make appropriate changes based on feedback given by peers.

**French:**

We will continue to work on our conversational French and building confidence when speaking it to our peers and in small groups.

If you have any questions at all, please drop in and ask!

**Kind regards,  
Miss Lowe**

**Our PE day is Friday. However, please ensure a named PE kit is in school at all times. Please make sure all uniform is named. Homework will be given out on the first Friday of term. This is to be completed by the dates stated on the sheet. Please hear your child read as regularly as possible and ensure that you record this in their reading record. Please remember to help your child learn their spellings and times tables each week. We will be awarding extra house points for children who read at home on a regular**