

Coelho Class Mrs Potts

Year 4 Newsletter - Term 5

Welcome to Term 5! This term is full of adventure with our trip to Kingswood! We are looking forward to another term of hard work and creativity. We are excited to begin the term with a special STEM week full of activity and culminating in a 'dress as a scientist' day.

Riordan Class Miss Crumbie



Thank you for supporting your child at home with their learning - it makes an enormous difference to their experiences in school. Please find below most of the important features of what we will be covering in Year 4 this term. Please remember to pack your child a fruit or vegetable snack for breaktime, sweets and chocolate are not permitted. Can you please make sure your child brings a named water bottle to school every day. No flavoured water or juice please.

Home learning opportunities

We thoroughly enjoyed the lovely diorama of endangered species and habitats the children designed last term! As usual, there will be a new bonus termly project on the Weekly Homework sheet. Our focus continues to be times tables – please ensure children are practising these, either using TTRS or just on paper/telling you them! Remember Spelling Shed activities each week.

Math/

In maths we are kicking the term off with a unit all about time. This links to our STEM week. After that, we will continue with our fraction work. The children are working hard to understand the objectives around this area of maths. In particular, we will be learning about adding and subtracting using fractions, as well as solving problems involving mixed and improper fractions.

Science

This term begins with a whole week around STEM. The theme will be 'time'. After this, we will be asking the question what is sound and how does it work? The children will be experimenting with soundwaves and how we hear through vibrations. They will learn about how to adapt pitch and volume. As well as this, the children will examine how sound insulation works. There should be plenty of time for outdoor learning too!

PSHE

This term our puzzle piece in Jigsaw is 'Relationships'. The children will be discussing what makes our relationships with friends and family special, respectful and caring. They will look at jealousy and the affect it can have on themselves and others. As well as this, the children will look at other emotions such as love, examining what the emotion is and how we can recognise it.

Dates for your diary

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Term Starts: Monday 15th April STEM Week: 15th – 19th April Science Exhibition: 19th April Dress like a Scientist: 19th April PE block week: w/b 6th May (tennis) Kingswood Residential: 15th – 17th May Sports Week: 20th May

Year 4 Teaching Support Team :
 Mrs L. Potts
 Miss S Crumbie
 Miss T. Banks
 Mrs K Chinnery

Mu/ic

This term, we will return to practising the clarinet! I wonder how much we will remember? The children will be focusing on learning extra notes and how those notes are written down on a musical stave. They will even try composing their own music!

As usual, if you have any questions or queries, please ask any of the Year 4 staff team, and we would be very happy to help you.

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<u>Engli/h</u>

This term we will be reading the novel 'Krindlekrax'. This is a fun, fast-paced story that we are sure the children will enjoy. Using the book as a starting point, we will be examining characters and how they develop during a story, as well as looking at settings and how to use vocabulary to accurately describe. We will also be examining an author's style and trying to have a go at writing in the same style!

Religious Education

In RE this term we will be exploring the question what does it mean to be a Hindu living in Britain today? The children will have the opportunity to explore a different religion: Hindu Dharma. They will learn about how Hindus life their life through their faith and how they show their belief in god.

Physical Education

This term our two PE topics will be Athletics and Tennis.
In Athletics, the children will be learning and practising their skills in javelin, different types of throwing and long jump. They will develop their resilience in long distance running. In Tennis, they will learn how to serve and volley both back hand and forehand. Girls and boys change in separate classrooms for PE. It is imperative that your child has the correct PE kit in school every Friday.

Geography

This term we will explore the enquiry question why did Anglo-Saxons and Vikings choose to settle where they did?. We will begin by looking at maps and how we can distinguish the use of the land by looking at symbols. Next, we will look at the Vikings and their settling in Britain and other European countries. This will link to previous work around Anglo Saxons in History.