

Teme Class Newsletter

Summer Term 2018

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Dear Parents,

Welcome to the Summer Term! It is hard to believe we are now into the final term of Year 4 - the time has flown by! I am so proud of each and every child in Teme Class, for the enthusiasm they show to learning, the determination they have to succeed and their own personal achievements in attaining their goals and targets. I am now looking forward to our Summer term together! Here is a brief outline of some of the things we will be learning about this term:

Literacy/Geography

The children will be studying via Literacy and Geography, this term, the topic of the Rainforests and the country of Brazil. We will be learning about South America and researching about the animals and how the rainforests exists including the interesting, contrasting human geography of Brazil.

Maths

We will be progressing with our skills in the four functions of Maths whilst focusing on negative numbers, area and perimeters including co-ordinates, fractions and decimals and revisiting shape, symmetry and angles of different triangles.

The 'Frog Maths Club' will still continue. I am delighted to see how successful the children have become and how much they are enjoying working hard to leap to their lily pads! The children are also working very hard on their multiplication challenges, and with huge success, so well done for all that extra practise at home and once again - practise, practise makes perfect! By the end of Year 4, all children are expected to know their 12 x 12 tables by heart. For them to achieve this challenge, for each times table they are expected to answer the mixed up times table, they are practising, within 1 minute.

Science

We will be identifying a variety of living things (plants and animals) in the local and wider environment, using classification keys to assign them to groups. We will be looking at the habitats changes which occur during the year, whilst recognising, that habitats are constantly changing and why this poses dangers to specific habitats. We will also be identifying how animals and plants have adapted to become suitable to their environment through evolution.

P.E.

Our P.E. sessions this term will be on Tuesday and Thursday each week. On Tuesday, the children will be participating in fitness and football training with Adriano. As these sessions will be held, weather permitting, on the field, could you please provide suitable sportswear and footwear, favourable to the weather conditions. On Thursdays, the children will be enjoying 'Real PE' sessions led by myself, so they will also require indoor P.E. kits. In addition, we love our sports in Teme Class and any opportunity we can, we will be out for a game of Summer rounders or practising our athletics! Could you please therefore, also provide a school PE kit for use on the field with suitable footwear?

R.E.

This term we will be learning a faith study of the fascinating Hindu religion. Firstly, we will be learning about the different Gods they worship and why, in addition to, understanding the Hindu belief that there is one God with many different aspects. Subsequently, we will be learning to understand the significance of the River Ganges and pilgrimages, both for a Hindu and non-Hindu.

Art and Design

In our art and design lessons we will be using our Geography topic to sketch and draw animals within the rainforests whilst studying the artist Henri Rousseau for his 3D rainforest work.

Spellings will be given every Monday, to be tested on Friday. Please encourage your child to learn these at home. Homework will be given out on a Monday to be handed in by Friday. Reading is still going to be focused on heavily this term and regular practise at home really helps your child to improve. I am asking each child to read four times a week, in their own time. I would be most grateful for your help and encouragement with this. If any parents are willing to come into school to hear individual readers in the class, please let me know.

Many thanks, as always, for all your support. Please feel free to pop in to discuss any matters or concerns you may have at any time or just to check on your child's progress.

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