Year 4

Spring Term

English

In Spring 1, children will study the books Flood by Alvaro F Villa and Coming to England by Floella Benjamin. They will develop their narrative writing skills through character and setting descriptions. In Spring 2, we will explore a range of non-fiction and fiction texts, including How to Build a City, The Great Kapok Tree and Ratatouille, focusing on instructional writing and newspaper reports.

Maths

This term there will be a strong focus on learning all times tables in preparation for the **Times Tables Check in June**. Children will also learn about area, fractions and decimals. Daily times table practice is essential, including at least **30 minutes per week on TT Rock Stars**.

Religion

Our first topic will focus on the community, what it means to belong to a community and the work that goes on in our parish community. We will go on to look at giving and receiving and what it means to have self-discipline, before moving on to celebrate Lent and the lead up to Easter.

PSHE

We will be looking at how we are all different and that we don't have to be the same. We will also cover respecting our bodies.

Computing and E-safety

Children will use Purple Mash to support their computing learning. They will continue developing their digital skills while learning about e-safety, including how to stay safe online and behave responsibly when using the internet and digital devices.

PE

Swimming will be the main focus this term, helping children develop this vital life skill. Pupils will also practise dodgeball and cricket skills. PE lessons take place on Tuesdays and Fridays, so please ensure children come to school in the correct PE kit on these days.

Homework

Homework will focus on practising weekly spellings, regular reading at home, and times table practice. Consistent home support will help reinforce learning and build confidence across the curriculum.

Science

In science, children will learn about Electricity and States of Matter. They will explore solids, liquids and gases, as well as heating and cooling. Learning will also cover the water cycle, including evaporation and condensation, through practical investigations and discussions.

Wider Curriculum

Our topic this term is 'Water of Life'. In Geography, children will study rivers of the British Isles and the world, erosion, and the water cycle, as well as transport and trade routes. In Art, they will design Ancient Egyptian scrolls, and in DT they will explore architectural drawings linked to geography.

Thank you for all your help and support!