



Parent Curriculum Overview

SPRING TERM 1 2024 ELM CLASS

ENGLISH

We will be immersing ourselves in our topic this term, using the book *How to be a Viking* to write our own narratives. We will continue to focus on our sentence structure, using clear capital letters and full stops. We will concentrate on the Year 4 National Curriculum objectives of using fronted adverbials, expanded noun phrases and direct speech in our writing. Reading continues to be a high priority. We ask you to support this by reading regularly at home and providing comments in the home school link book.

MATHEMATICS

This term we will be moving on to multiplication and division, using the column method and our knowledge of our number facts. Multiplication is a huge focus in Year 4 and, nationally, the children will be required to pass a multiplication test at the end of the year. Children are expected to know all their times tables up to 12x12. The children have been working very hard on this in school and many children have made huge progress already. 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.

PSHE

This term our PSHE theme is 'dreams and goals'. We will consider how motivation and enthusiasm helps us to achieve our goals and we will embrace the importance of challenging ourselves.

History and Geography

In our History lessons this term, we will be learning about the Indus Valley. The children already have some knowledge on this topic and we will delve deeper into the civilisations that grew in this area. In Geography, we will be learning the differences between different types of settlements and how we use their features to help identify them.

COMPUTING

Children will work collaboratively to design their own websites.

Art

Our focus for Art this half-term is 'Colour and Surface'. We will be creating still life scenes and representing these using colour and collage.

FRENCH

French will be taught by Mr. Pepper this term and the children will be learning about how to hold simple conversations with each other in French. This will include asking questions and being able to answer them.

SCIENCE

Science is looking very exciting as we will have our first unit on Electricity. We will have a go at making our own circuits and we will learn the scientific symbols for the components of a circuit.

PE

PE is on a Monday and a Wednesday. **Please check that your child has the correct PE kit and their shoes are the right size.** The children will be developing their gymnastics skills and having a go at some athletics!

RE

This half term we will be focusing on Hinduism and the practice of this religion in Britain today, exploring their values and their traditions.

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!**
- Spellings 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.