

English

This term we will be continuing to enjoy the 'Power of Reading'. This term our key text will be 'The Tin Forest' by Helen Ward & Wayne Anderson. We will be interrogating the text and writing a range of text types in role. We will continue to develop our knowledge of the Year 3 and 4 grammar and punctuation. The Year 3 and 4 word lists are in homework books if you wish to practise spellings with your child at home. In school we will also be continuing to use www.spellingframe.co.uk, which is an exciting tool that can also be used at home.

Maths

In **Years 3 & 4** this term we will be consolidating our understanding of place value in addition to developing our confidence when using the four operations of addition, subtraction, multiplication and division.

Please continue to support your child to practise times tables to 12 times 12.

Having a secure knowledge of multiplication facts and the ability to recall those facts quickly would be hugely beneficial for your child in their Maths lessons and assessments.



Theme

This term our whole school theme is 'This is me'. Our theme work will consider the question: 'Can I change my world?' In **Geography** we shall explore recycling and compare attitudes and practices in different parts of the world, whilst developing our map reading skills. In **History** we will also research and learn about WW2 and the lives of children and families who were affected, with a particular focus on 'made do and mend'. In **Art** we will take inspiration from the work of Rousseau linked to our class book. We are hoping our theme will culminate in a **D&T** enterprise project that sees us design, create and evaluate a product that we shall produce and sell for profit, meaning that our awareness of business and financial management is enhanced.

Science

In Year 3 we will be investigating and developing a level of understanding of plants and their needs. Later in the Autumn term we will explore and investigate light and shadows.

In Year 4 we will develop our knowledge of the properties of materials, the water cycle and electricity. This knowledge will allow us to better understand the world we live in.

P.E.

Our PE afternoon is Wednesday afternoon with Synergy Sports. Year 3 also have an additional PE session on Monday afternoon. Year 4 have their additional PE session on Friday afternoon. Please ensure that children have a full outdoor PE kit in school and earrings can be removed or covered.

Homework

Homework will be given on a Friday and Homework books should be returned by the following Thursday. If children need support with their Homework, a homework club will be available each Wednesday lunchtime.

Home reading

Please encourage your child to read 5 times a week and encourage them to sign their own reading records while making a comment about what they have read. Reading records will be checked in school on a Friday.