

Year 4 Newsletter – Term 3

Jacaranda



Jacaranda: Miss Emms & Mrs Bolejko (Mrs Chapman-Wednesday am) and Mrs Nock
INDOOR PE: Wednesday pm
Forest School: Thursday pm

Tamarisk



Tamarisk: Mrs Collins & Mrs Hobby and Mrs Traves
INDOOR PE: Wednesday pm
Forest school: Tuesday pm

How do changes in our environment effect our choices?

English

In class, we will be using the text 'When the Giant Stirred' by Celia Bodkin. Throughout the unit, the children will be working towards writing their own narrative of the story in first person. They will practise using specific nouns to avoid repetition, using expanded noun phrases and prepositional phrases to add detail, punctuating direct speech correctly and fronted adverbials as ways to start sentences.



Maths

This term, we will be looking at factor pairs, multiplying and dividing by 10 and 100 and then moving onto using a formal method to multiply and divide 2- and 3-digit numbers by a 1-digit number. We will explore vocabulary linked to multiplication and division in worded problems in order for the children to solve them. They will move onto measurement with the focus on length and perimeter.



Geography

The topic for the term is natural disasters; looking at volcanoes and earthquakes. Children will learn about how these disasters occur and then explore how they effect the ways in which people use the land and the changes to the environment.

PSHE

The theme is 'Keeping myself safe'. The children will work on identifying risks, hazards and dangers. They will make links with medicines and making choices to lead a healthy lifestyle.

RE

The big question is 'What kind of a world did Jesus want?' Children will learn about the Gospels in the Bible and some of the stories and teachings of Jesus and what they can teach a Christian today. They will make links between the calling of the first disciples and how Christians today try to follow Jesus and be 'fishers of people'.



Computing

Children will be learning programming skills. Using repetition and events in the programme, decomposition and debugging to make them run efficiently.

Science

The theme for the term is 'States of Matter'. The children will learn about the different states: solid, liquids and gases. Using this, they will compare and group materials according to their state. They will also observe and investigate how heating and cooling can change the materials particles.

PE

The children will be doing 'Dance' this term. They will design their own dance moves; link and combine movements; perform with expression; respond to different stimulus and create and perform a dance.

Music

The children will learn to identify the features of Blues music and its importance and purpose. They will also learn about 12-bar Blues and the Blues scale, and combine these to create an improvised piece with a familiar, repetitive backing.

French

The children will learn about shapes and then make links back to previous learning of colours and numbers.

Term 3 Christian Value Compassion

'Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.'

Colossians 3:12

Please make sure your child brings in their reading record and reading book **EVERYDAY**

They need a named drink bottle in school at all times!

Please make sure your child has a coat (named) as the weather is wet and cold.