

Curriculum Information for Parents Summer Term 1

Year

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Literacy and Maths

This half term we will be looking at addition and subtraction of fractions and money, including finding change. We will learn about telling the time to 1 minute on an analogue and digital clock. Our Shape topic will revisit more complex 2D and 3D shapes and angles and finally, we will be doing some data handling.

In Literacy, we will be exploring biographies, looking at poetry texts and writing our own poetry. We will do some investigation writing in Science and create persuasive texts.

We will continue to learn our spellings every week and do our daily individual or guided reading.

Topics

Week 1 & 2: Landscapes (Art)

Our first topic of the Summer term explores the work of Joseph Turner. We will have the opportunity to experiment with different media to produce a range of paint effects, light and shade in our landscape piece.

Week 3: Let's Get Rocking (Science)

In our Science topic, we will be exploring and classifying rocks, comparing their properties and looking at the effect of erosion. We will also be working on our scientific skills through designing fair tests.

Week 4: Three Little Birds (Music)

Our Three Little Birds topic explores the life and work of Bob Marley. We will be learning some of his popular songs and performing as a class.

Week 5 & 6: Queen Victoria (History)

Our focus for our History topic is Queen Victoria, her life, achievements and the British Empire. We have a trip planned to explore Victorian life (details soon!) and will be comparing this to modern life in Britain.

Religious Education

Our focus for RE will be around the Christian Value of Truthfulness. We will explore this theme through Bible stories, assemblies, parables and prayers.

Physical Education

This half term, we will start our swimming lessons at Saddleworth Pool every Monday to develop this important life skill. In other PE, we will be developing our Athletics skills of running, throwing and jumping. We will continue our team games hopefully with a few lessons on the field.

Computing

We will be continuing to develop our coding and programming skills and have a go at using branching databases and PowerPoint presentations.

Home Learning and Other Relevant Information

We expect the children to read every day and practise their spellings for a test on Fridays. Homework grids need to be completed weekly and signed to be checked alongside the planners every Friday. We would like the children to consolidate their x tables knowledge at least 3x per week on TTRockstars, as we move on to more complex times tables skills (logins in planners). We will be visiting the library on alternate weeks, but please makes sure children have their library books every Tuesday. PE will still be on Tuesdays and Thursdays- please be ready in your kit.

Thank you for your continued support, Mrs Gulla, Mrs Schofield, Mrs Chambers and Miss Stoneman