

# **Indigo's Curriculum Newsletter**

## Autumn 2021



Welcome back!



#### RE

In our RE lessons we will be addressing the question – What kind of world did Jesus want? This will include looking at stories taken from the Bible and drawing parallels from them to apply within our own lives.



#### **Maths**

This term we will be starting with place value and moving onto the four operations as well as looking at 3D shapes, symmetry, position and direction and fractions. We will be using TT Rockstars daily and completing our 22,33

clubs at least twice a week.



## **English and Reading.**

Our English lessons we will be using the text, 'Queen of the falls', creating diary entries, stories and a range of non-fiction pieces. We will continue to use Lexia and introduce a new daily guided reading scheme, Pathways to Reading. Our first book is called, 'Stories for rebel girls.'

## **Spelling**

We are following our new whole school spelling programme – Pathway to Spelling, there will be four spelling lessons a week alongside our weekly spelling test. Each term a spelling overview will be sent home and tests will be every Friday.



## **Science**

This term our topic is 'Out of this world' we will be learning all about space. Starting with the Solar System, we look next at how ideas about space have changed over time before we explore what

causes us to experience night and day on Earth.





E- Safety will be our starting point this half term, which will then be continually touched upon throughout the IT unit which is 'We are bloggers'. We will be looking at the characteristics of a good blog, and applying them to our own blog using software such as WordPress.



## **Spanish**

During this half term we will be looking at the unit called 'Me Presento' (Presenting myself). This unit will recap and build upon some of the vocabulary that we learnt last year and introduce new concepts such as learning how to answer the question '¿Dónde Vives?



#### Music

This term, Mrs Whitely will be working with us and we will also be studying Musical Styles Through the 20th Century.



#### **History**

Anglo-Saxons will be our focus this half term, looking at the timeline throughout whilst learning about where they came from and why they settled in Britain, we will also look at how they lived via archaeological evidence.



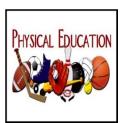
## **PSE**

This half term, via Coram Life Education programme SCARF, we will be thinking about 'Rights and Responsibilities'. This will cover such things as County Council, media influence, respect and tolerance and we will also be learning basic first aid through St John's Ambulance using their First Aid Champions resource.



#### <u>Art</u>

Our art work will be influenced by our Anglo-Saxon studies, looking at and replicating some of their crafts and skills.



## PE

Our PE lessons for this term will be taken by the specialist teachers ASM, we will be learning and participating in invasion games, starting with tag rugby.

#### General information

PE days: Monday and Wednesday, please come in full School PE kit.

<u>Homework:</u> A piece of English and Maths will be set each week on a Friday, this may be set using Education City. Homework needs to be completed and submitted by the following Wednesday.

<u>Home reading:</u> Reading Diaries will be collected in every Friday. Each week, we ask for 5 signatures to be recorded in the diary.

If you have any questions, please come and chat to me or email me at-<u>akirk@tmpf.staffs.sch.uk</u>
Many thanks for all your help and support for the upcoming year.