



# Indigo's Curriculum Newsletter



## Spring Term 2022



### RE

We will be studying the five pillars of Islam this half term and what they mean to practising Muslims in their daily lives.



### Maths

This half term, we will focus on place value, formal short multiplication and division, angles and reasoning problems. We will continue to work hard on our times tables using education City and TT Rockstars. Another busy half term!



### English and Reading.

For our English text this term, we will be reading Arthur and the Golden Rope. We will look at characters, settings, myths, dialogue, figurative language and lots more. In guided reading, we will be reading Odd and the Frost Giant, again this is a myth linking with our writing.

### 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

In this topic children look at the life cycles of various species including mammals, amphibians, fish and birds. They also look at and describe the life process of reproduction in plants and animals.



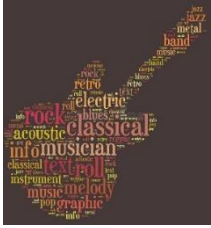
### Computing

This half term, we will be looking at coding, introducing variables as well as introducing speed, direction and coordinates.

### Spanish



During Spanish lessons we will be looking at School life in Indigo class, learning the names for different subjects and even beginning to tell the time in Spanish!



## **Music**

This term we will continue our learning with Mrs Whitley and we will be looking at cyclical patterns, percussion instruments and singing



## **History**

The Vikings will be our time period to study this half term, answering the question – Would Vikings do anything for money?



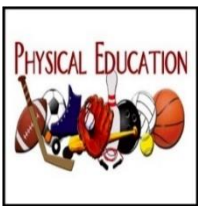
## **PSE**

'Keeping Myself Safe' will be our focus for this half term in our PSE lessons, this will cover various situations.



## **Art**

Following our history theme of the Vikings, we will be learning techniques on proportions when drawing portraits, focusing on facial expressions and emotions portrayed in art. Also, the skill of drawing Viking knots.



## **PE**

This term we will be focusing on gymnastics.

## **General information**

**PE days:** This term we will be starting swimming, we will be going every week on a Monday afternoon, starting January 10<sup>th</sup>. Please ensure the children have the correct swimming kit, boys will need trunks and girls will need a one-piece swimming costume. Swimming hats are needed if hair is longer than shoulder length.

Our PE day will be on a Tuesday.

**Homework:** 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.

**Spellings:** Every week spellings will be set and tested on Friday.

**Home reading:** 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- [akirk@tmpf.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:akirk@tmpf.staffs.sch.uk)

Many thanks for all your help and support for the upcoming term.