

Violet's Curriculum Newsletter

Spring Term 1 2022





Religious Education.

Our focus question in R.E this half term will be 'What is it like to live as a Jew?' By the end of this unit, Violet class will learn about Judaism has its origins in the land of Israel and that Jews believe in one God who is creator and carer.



<u>Maths.</u>

This term we will start with decimals, moving onto equivalent decimals, percentages and fractions. We will then move onto Measurements – converting between units of length.



English and Reading.

Our English lessons we will be looking at the classic fiction, 'The Selfish Giant' by Oscar Wilde. When studying this book, we will work towards creating our own version of 'The Selfish Giant' as a first person narrative. We will continue to use Lexia and our daily

guided reading scheme, Pathways to Reading. Our second book is called, 'The happy Prince and other tales,' also written by Oscar Wilde.



<u>Spelling.</u>

We will continue to follow our whole school spelling programme – Pathways to Spelling, there will be four spelling lessons a week alongside our weekly spelling test. A spelling overview will be sent home and tests will be every Friday.



<u>Science.</u>

This term our topic is 'Classifying Living Things,' we will be learning to describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, aswell as being able to give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics.



Computing.

In Computing we will be focusing on turning into advertisers. Violet will use their new found skills and will identify characteristics of effective adverts, contribute to storyboarding a video and shoot actual footage, creating a completed advert at the end of the unit.



<u>Spanish</u>

Over this half term in Spanish we will be focusing on the Planets in our Solar System with Mr Day.



<u>Music</u>

In Music, with Mrs Whiteley, we will be learning about cyclical patterns, using percussion instruments and singing.



<u>History</u>

This half term, we will be focusing on 'The Ancient Greeks.' Violet Class will learn about aspects of political, social and cultural Ancient Greek life. They will focus on some areas in depth, such as the systems of government, religion and the importance of the Olympic Games. They will examine the legacy of the Ancient Greeks, and will have

opportunities for further study of areas of interest.



<u>PSE</u>

In PSE with Mrs Hamer, our unit title is 'Keeping Myself Safe.' We will learn how to stay safe online, know how to keep information safe online, aswell as understanding that all humans have basic emotional needs and explain some of the ways these needs can be met.



<u>PE</u>

During our two ASM sessions, we will be taking part in gymnastics. Here we will develop flexibility, strength, technique, control and balance and perform routines using a range of movement patterns.

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, SPaG.com or Lexia. Homework needs to be completed and submitted by the following Wednesday.

<u>SATs Boosters:</u> These will be held every Monday 3.20pm-4.15pm, please see separate letter for details.

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

If you have any questions, please come and chat to us or email me at <u>cbould@tmpf.staffs.sch.uk.</u>

Many thanks for all your help and continued support.