



Indigo's Curriculum Newsletter



Autumn 2024

Welcome back!

R.E

We will be following the unit: God, and addressing the question - What does it mean if God is holy and loving?

We will be using Bible study and contemplating how biblical ideas and teachings about God and if it might make a difference in the world today.



Maths



This term we will be starting with place value and moving on to the four operations as well as looking at 3D shapes, mass, position and direction and fractions. To continue our mastery of the multiplication tables, they will be supported by completing our 'Rock Star league'.



English and Reading

Our English lessons we will be using the text, 'Of thee I sing', creating diary entries, stories and a range of non-fiction pieces. We will continue to use our guided reading scheme, Pathways to Reading, our first book is called, 'Goodnight Stories for Rebel Girls'.

Spelling

We are following the 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 spelling tests will be every Friday.



Science

This term our topic is 'Out of this World' we will be learning all about space and our solar system, whilst completing some exciting experiments.

IT

Our main focus for this term will be E- Safety, ensuring we know how to keep ourselves safe on line, cyber bullying, discussing how to make a clever password and why they should never be shared. E- safety will be taught throughout the year.





Spanish

Over this half term in Indigo class we will be looking at some Spanish speaking traditions and celebrations.

Music

This term, Mrs Whitely will be working with us using percussion instruments and we will be singing, thinking about tempo and volume.



History



During this half term, Anglo-Saxons and Vikings will be our focus, answering the question – How did England change during the settlement of the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings? Looking at their achievements from 410 CE to 1066 CE, finding out how England was ruled during the settlement of the Anglo-Saxons and how they kept control of the 7 different kingdoms across the land and why Vikings carried out raids in England.

PSE

This half term, via Coram Life Education programme SCARF, we will be thinking about 'Rights and Respect'. This will cover such things as County Council, media influence, right, respect and duties at home, at school and within their local community.



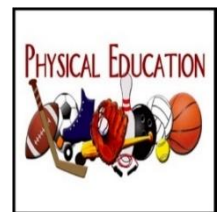
Art



We will be creating some art around the theme of Vikings, studying facial expression, textures and mixed media collage, crafting and model making to enhance our understanding further. We will also be studying some intricately made brooches from the Anglo-Saxon period.

P.E

Our PE lessons for this term will be taken by the specialist teachers ASM and Mrs Hamer, we will be learning and participating in invasion games.



General information

Forest School is this term on a Monday, groups and dates information previously sent to you in a letter.

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

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.

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

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