

Year 4 – Spring 1 Curriculum Map

Overview of topics:

The Changing Monarch, Animals including Humans, Creating Media, Sikhism & Animal Inspired Night Lights

Maths: In Maths, we will be using our skills to focus on the following topics:

- Multiplication and Division
- Fractions
- Measurement – Perimeter

We will also be continuing to practise our times tables through weekly tests, TT Rockstars in class. We will also be having weekly arithmetic lessons to further develop our number fluency. Maths homework will be set on a Monday.

History: In History, we will be looking at how the British monarchy has changed since 1066. This will involve us studying in depth William the Conqueror's reign from 1066 onwards, how King John made himself very unpopular as a monarch and why King Henry VIII married so many times. We will also learn who Queen Anne was, what Queen Victoria achieved during her reign and look at the role of the British monarchy today.

English: In English, we will be looking at persuasive writing and concentrating on the following:

- Analysing the effectiveness of a persuasive text
- Identifying the structure of a persuasive text
- Speaking audibly when presenting information
- Writing a balanced argument

Reading and spelling homework will be issued each week to support learning. Please encourage your child to read with you regularly at home and ask them to tell you about what they have read.

Science: In Science, we will be studying 'Animals including Humans', where we will be focusing on the digestive system in humans and animals and the functions of teeth. We will also learn more about herbivores, carnivores and omnivores in the context of teeth, digestion and the food chain. In addition, we will extend our understanding of food chains to more complex chains and food webs.

RE: In our RE lessons we will be looking at the religion of Sikhism in depth.

PSHE: In our PSHE sessions we will be using the Jigsaw scheme of work to discuss 'Dreams and Goals'.

Spanish: In Spanish we will learn words and phrases linked to the topic 'Where I Live'.

Computing: This term, we will develop our understanding of how digital images can be changed and edited, and how they can then be resaved and reused. We will consider the impact that editing images can have, and evaluate the effectiveness of our choices.

PE: Our PE sessions will take place on a Friday afternoon for Red Class. We will be covering a range of fun activities and learning about the importance of physical exercise.

The children will also be going swimming on Friday mornings.

Art, Design and Technology, Music:

In DT, we will be creating a luminescent sea creature night light. This coincides with our Science topic 'Animals including Humans' as seen above. We will look at the current night lights on the market, take part in extensive research, design our own night light and then try to create our own.

In Music, we will be studying and performing activities based around the song 'Stop!' a rap about bullying.