

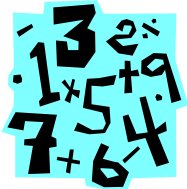


Curriculum Report to Parents and Carers of Gold and Ruby Class

Summer Term 2024

Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome back to an exciting and busy third term. Below, you will find an outline of what your child will be learning in school this term.



In Maths, the areas of focus will be angles, shapes, measurement, fractions, multiplication and division. We will continue to follow the Maths Mastery scheme of work, in addition to consolidating core skills. Please also encourage and help your child at home by practising their times tables and any addition or subtraction strategies, such as column methods and mental arithmetic. In both classes, we will be having a weekly times table test.



In English, our writing activities will be based around the book *Escape from Pompeii* (Christina Balit). We will include descriptive writing from the book including the eruption of Mount Vesuvius. Children will write a persuasive letter, develop characters and settings, write information texts and look at poetry. We will be paying close attention to the use of commas, capital letters and full stops, any support with this at home would also be beneficial. We will continue to develop the continuous cursive handwriting and weekly Read, Write, Ink spelling lessons. Please also remind your child that their **PATCH folder should be taken home every day** so that they can spend at least 20 minutes reading every evening. Children will also be given a weekly spelling test, so please arrange time to practise these during the week.



Our Geography topic this term will focus on the physical and human features of the continent of Europe, with children learning about the countries and climate. They will be comparing the countries of Eastern Europe with Northern Europe and Western Europe with Southern Europe and taking a close look at Italy and the City of Rome.

In History, we will be looking at Roman Britain and recapping the Stone Age.



In Religious Education lessons, we will look at the question: 'What does it mean to be a Christian in Britain today?' Children will be given the opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of Christian's beliefs, festivals, place of worship and religious stories whilst also exploring the Buddhist, Sikh and Islamic faiths.



In Science, we will be learning about plants. We will look at life cycles, parts of a plant and how plants reproduce. We are also continuing to explore the topic of forces.



In PSHE lessons, our unit of work is Spending, Saving and Budgeting. Through discussions and activities, children will learn about the value of money, careers and economic wellbeing. In the second half term, the children will learn about drugs (including medicine) and understand that tobacco can be harmful for people.



P.E this term will take place on Monday. Children are required to wear a t-shirt, shorts or tracksuit bottoms and trainers. This term, we will be consolidating core coordination and teamwork in preparation for Sports Day.



In Computing, children will learn how to create animated videos using J2 Animate and Stop Motion Animation. The children will also be introduced to coding, using Scratch sequencing and code.org.



We will be looking at structures in Design and Technology this term. We will explore shell structures using nets. The children will then design and make 3D packaging. In Art we will be working with Tanya (Artist) focusing on volcanos.



Gold Class work with Juwon this term leading to their class assembly performance. Singing assemblies will continue to take place on Wednesday mornings, alongside listening to a variety of music in class.



In French, both classes will continue to work with Bahia on the body, food and numbers.



Out of school visits to Pizza Express (science, PSHE), Natural History Museum (science), Camley Street Nature Park (science), British Museum (history) and The Guildhall Amphitheatre (history).

Towards the end of the term, we will be consolidating learning with end of year tests and teacher assessments. It is therefore essential, that all children keep up to date with homework, read daily and practice their spellings and times tables. Please also look at the Espresso website (www.discoveryeducation.co.uk/resources/primary/espresso) for a wide range of activities closely aligned to the Year 3 curriculum.

We look forward to having an exciting, enjoyable and educational term and welcome your support in any way to achieve this. Please do not hesitate to come and speak to your child's teacher if you have any queries about your child or their progress.

Yours faithfully,

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