

Dates for your diary:

Trip to Ufton Court 27th February
Henley Youth Festival 2nd - 10th March
Parents Evening 19th & 20th March 4-7pm

UKS2 Curriculum Newsletter

Spring 2 2024

Core Value: Forgiveness



During Spring 2 we will be continuing our topic of 'Invaders & Settlers' and then we will move onto the unit called 'British Bulldog – The Story of Winston Churchill'

Below we outline how the different subject areas will be covered. Please note: Some activities may change or different activities may be added depending upon which areas the class choose to investigate further.

English - The Write Stuff

'Is screen use making children lazy?'

This term we will be exploring, researching and debating this hot topic.



Through role play, discussion and sentence construction, the children will form their opinions and learn how to develop a balanced argument using literary devices including: subordinate and relative clauses, rhetorical questions, modal verbs and quotes. They will go on to create their own balanced argument piece of writing to address whether the school day should be extended!

Maths – Maths Mastery (White Rose Maths)

Year 5 – we will finish our work on fractions by learning how to calculate fractions of amounts and applying this skill to problem solving and reasoning questions. We will then move onto decimals and percentages. These 3 topics in the year 5 Maths curriculum are fundamental to the children's number work in preparation for year 6.



Year 6 – as we build towards the tests in May, year 6 will be working with numbers with up to 3 decimal places – multiplying and dividing these by 10, 100 and 1000. Understanding fraction, decimal and percentage equivalents will also feature alongside concepts such as order of operations, ratio and algebra. The children will have daily exposure to previous SATs papers and question types so that they are completely familiar with both the arithmetic and reasoning aspects of the tests.

P.E

This term the children will be improving their football skills as well as taking part in Outdoor Adventurous Activities – these are problem solving games involving negotiation, collaboration and navigation / map reading skills to name but a few!



Zephaniah Class P.E lessons are on Monday & Wednesday
Rundell Class P.E lessons are on Monday & Wednesday
Palmer Class P.E Lessons are on Tuesday & Wednesday



R.E

The children will be learning about the key events of **Holy Week** and seeking evidence for and against the Christian belief that Jesus' death was planned by God.

Children will explore the concept of destiny and consider how much control they have over events in their lives. Through discussion and debate, the children will show a developing awareness of morals and right and wrong beyond rules and learn to express their own values whilst remaining respectful to those with different perspectives.



Learning Means the World – Dimensions Curriculum

Our "Invaders & Settlers" topic obviously has a History focus specifically the Romans. It is huge topic that we started last term. Other units that we have completed this year so far have had a Science, PSHE and History focus.

Please note that some of these activities happen in rotation but all children will complete all activities at some point during the term.

History - The children will learn about invasions and the reasons for and consequences of such actions. They ct famous Roman Emperors and understand why the Roman army was so successful in some areas and not others. We will also look at Boudica's revolt and the legacy of the Romans in Britain.

Geography - The children will learn about the location of Rome and the extent of the Roman Empire at its height. They will map the empire against modern day country borders.

ART & DT – The children will be learning about Roman mosaics and will design their own to construct in paper format in teams. They will also design and make a Roman style jewellery box out of clay using the slab technique after making a prototype.

Drama – The children will learn about the positive impact of the Roman Empire and their legacy – they will then script, rehearse and perform a short sketch to demonstrate their learning.

Music – The children will learn how to make soundscape using battles as inspiration. We will be using percussion instruments to create atmosphere and tell a battle story. The aim is to then bring the separate pieces together to form a class composition to perform!

Computing – The children will build on their google draw skills from last term to design Roman-style artefacts and then recreate this using CAD software.

