

Year 3/4: Summer 1

Writing

Across all classes, children will be using *The Zebra's Great Escape* as their core text. Pupils will explore the story through a range of engaging writing outcomes including wanted posters, letters, setting descriptions, recounts and poetry. They will develop their vocabulary, sentence structure and descriptive techniques while building confidence in writing for different purposes.

For their independent writing, Miss Hudson and Miss Babu's groups will write a sequel narrative based on the story, extending the original plot and developing characters further. Miss Johal's group will create their own narrative about a different animal escape, applying their storytelling skills creatively and independently.

Maths

In Maths, Year 4 will continue their learning on fractions before moving on to decimals, where they will explore place value, ordering and simple calculations involving decimals.

Year 3 will also continue developing their understanding of fractions before beginning a new unit on mass and capacity. They will measure, compare and solve problems involving different units.

Across all classes, pupils will continue to practise arithmetic and times tables regularly to build fluency and confidence.

Science

In Science, children will continue their learning on states of matter, exploring how materials change between solids, liquids and gases. They will learn about the water cycle and its different parts.

They will also begin a new unit on sound, where they will learn how sounds are made, how vibrations travel, and how pitch and volume can change.



RE

In RE, children will continue building on their previous learning. They will further explore how beliefs and worldviews influence people's actions and decisions, reflecting on values such as courage, kindness and responsibility.

PSHE

In PSHE, learning will focus on Relationships and Sex Education (RSE), in line with the National Curriculum. Year 3 will focus on friendships, respect, boundaries and recognising feelings. Year 4 will build on this learning by exploring trust, managing conflict, puberty, personal safety and understanding changes in a safe and age-appropriate way.

History

This half term, children will be learning about Ancient Egypt. They will take on the role of hieroglyphic scribes, decoding a different message in each lesson to build their understanding of this ancient civilisation.

Pupils will explore where Ancient Egypt fits in world history, the importance of the River Nile, significant artefacts, the purpose of the pyramids and Egyptian religious beliefs.

As a final outcome, children will produce a non-chronological report to showcase their knowledge.

PE

In PE this half term, Miss Honey's Cottage will start their swimming lessons, developing confidence, technique and water safety skills. The other classes will be focusing on netball and track and field, developing teamwork, coordination, and athletic skills.