



Year 4 Finches



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Curriculum Newsletter: Summer 2- 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! We hope you had a lovely break and are ready for the last half term of the year! We are looking forward to a jam packed half term with very exciting learning. Details of our irresistible curriculum can be found below. Remember you can follow our Twitter feed and see what we are doing!

History

Our history question this half term is 'Were the Vikings always victorious and vicious?'

We will be understanding why Britain was invaded and looking into the impact the invasion had.



Religious Education

The key questions are 'How does the bible help Christians to live?' and 'Why do Christians follow Jesus?'



English

Key Text: Blue John
By Berlie Doherty

Our English focus will be non-fiction. We will be writing a letter on the topic of cave formations. We will be diving into a new key text, 'Blue John' by Berlie Doherty which is a magical story set in one of the Castleton Caverns in the Peak District. We will be building on our mastery skills as we plan, sequence, section and write.

'The Queen of Darkness lives in the shadow of the mountain Mam Tor with her child, Blue John. Blue John is forbidden to leave his mother's side, but when a singing, dancing girl comes to the caves, Blue John must make a choice between darkness and light'.



Maths

This half term, White Rose Maths focuses on shape, leading into statistics and position and direction.

We will also be continuing with our times tables practice.



Physical Education

Finches will continue to have weekly sessions with Sale Sharks to learn the key skills involved in Rugby.



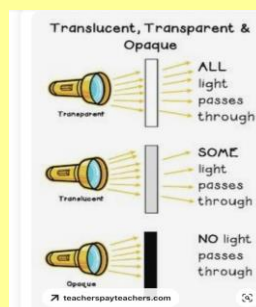
Computing

Our new computing unit is programming – repetition in games. This unit explores the concept of repetition in programming using the Scratch environment. Pupils will look at the difference between count-controlled and infinite loops, and use their knowledge to modify existing animations and games using repetition.



Science

We will be continuing our physics topic of light and reflective surfaces. This includes light as a form of energy, transparent, translucent and opaque, dangers of light and how to protect ourselves through a range of experiments. We will be looking at dark, and light, as well as absorption, reflection and transmission.



Sports Day

Sports Day this year will be held on Wednesday 21st June.

The children will be participating in various races and activities throughout the day.

PSHE

"Changing me" puzzle from our Jigsaw programme.



COAL

On Tuesday afternoons the children have a fantastic opportunity for creative, outdoor and adventurous learning. This includes music taught by a specialist teacher from Trafford Music Service and PE.

Reminders

Our COAL afternoon is Tuesday. Finches have Music and PE in their COAL lessons this half term. On P.E. days please send your children in their P.E kits, which they will stay in for the whole days, which are on Tuesday and Wednesday. Please be mindful that as the weather gets hotter the children will need to wear shorts and tops; these need to be blue. They can bring sun cream but will need to be able to apply this themselves. Homework for maths and English will be set on Fridays, to be completed by the following Friday. Reading books should be in school every day please.

I am looking forward to a fantastic last half term, thank you in advance for all your support in these matters.

Mr. Aljilani 😊