

Maths

This half term, the year 3 and year 4 children will be working hard on place value. Year 3 will be working with numbers up to 1,000 and year 4 will be working with numbers up to 10,000.

The children will also be working on their times tables. The children in year 3 will be learning the 3, 4 and 8 times tables. The children in year 4 will be learning all of the times tables up to 12 x 12.

Please encourage your child to regularly log on to TTRS to learn their times tables and improve their fluency.

Geography

In our Geography lessons, we will be exploring the county of Derbyshire and how it is a unique part of the world.

We will explore its position in the UK, the human and physical features of our county and what it is famous for.

Science

Our science topic is '**Electricity**'. We will be exploring electrical circuits and learning the names of the components of a circuit. The children will learn how a switch changes a circuit and explore electrical insulators and conductors. The children will also learn about the dangers of electricity and how to stay safe.

Computing

In our computing lessons, we will explore computing systems and networks with a focus on how our school network is made up. As always, we will be learning about online safety.

English

In our English lessons, we will be using our core text '**The Barnabus Project**' by The Fan Brothers. Some of our English activities will include creating our own character descriptions and writing a media report about the events in the book.

In our close reading sessions, we will be using VIPERS reading strategies to support our understanding of different texts.

In spellings, we will continue to learn our year 3 and 4 spellings, and we will learn homophones and near homophones, words ending in the suffix -sion and plurals.

What makes
Derbyshire
unique?



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French

We will be learning classroom greetings, numbers 13-31, months and dates and French vocabulary associated with birthdays.

DT

We will be creating a torch, making a working electrical circuit and casing for the bulb.

Religious Education

Our RE theme is '**What does it mean to be a Hindu in Britain today?**'

Music

Pop music is our focus this half term as we explore the music of ABBA.

Dates for your diary

Music on Tuesday

Year 3 will learn how to play samba instruments with a visiting music teacher.

PE

Please ensure children come to school in correct PE kit on their PE days.

Mrs Snow and Mrs Rhodes (3/4 E)

PE lessons are on Tues and Thurs.

Miss Beardsley (3/4 F)

PE lessons are on Tues and Weds.

Mrs Knowles and Miss Ip (3/4 G)

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Friday

Children will complete their times tables challenge. **Please encourage children to regularly complete sessions on TTRS as this will support their learning in school.**

Children's weekly reads will be collected in and we will award children with their reading certificates and prizes. **Please encourage children to regularly read to an adult at home and use the question card at the back of their reading records to support them with their reading.**

Embark Award

Please encourage and support your child with completing some of the Embark Awards this half term.