

Spring Term Curriculum Overview

Year 4 Spring 2025

English

In English, we will be looking at a number of quality texts this term as a stimulus for our writing, there are plenty of cross-curricular links that will make our learning engaging within the subject. We will be writing; a diary entry based on the book Tuesday, a persuasive presentation power point about France as well as writing our own nonsense poem, taking inspiration from The Lorax by Dr Seuss. We will also begin writing adventure stories relating to the circus as well as an adventure story about flight after half term.

Also, after half-term, during our Local study we will be writing a non-fiction text about the History of Flight and focusing on story writing during Book Week.

We will notify you more about book week closer to the time.

Science

During the first half term, the children will be learning about habitats and the living things that live in them. Afterwards we will be looking at electricity where we will learn how to build circuits.

Trips and other information

For our Meudon project we will start with a French 'Hook' day where the children will experience a French Café, take part in singing French songs, learn more about French celebrations and festivals and also further develop our understanding of locational knowledge.

Next term we hope to visit the FAST museum in Farnborough to learn more about Samuel Cody and the History of Flight.

Geography, Art and Computing

In our first project the children will be focusing on Geography and learning about our twin town Meudon, in France, to answer the question: **Is Meudon a good choice for Farnborough's twin town?** They will be comparing maps, photographs and doing their own research.

Art: The children will be using watercolours to create their own version of Monet's water lilies.

Computing: We will be programming to create repetition in shapes.

History, DT and Computing

"Samuel Cody – Revolutionary or Reckless?"

In this History project, the children will learn about the first powered flight by Samuel F Cody that took place in Farnborough.

Computing – The children will be learning about data loggers, why we collect data and how.

DT – Linked to our electricity Science unit, we will be designing and making our own torches.

Maths

Throughout the spring term we will be looking at the following areas of mathematics:

- Place Value, including measures
- Fractions and Geometry
- Addition and Subtraction
- Multiplication and Division

There will also be a focus on times tables practice so that each child is fluent up to 12x12 by the end of year 4.

Each week, your child will be set an Anton task linked to their learning in class. Please encourage your child to complete this. We will also be encouraging children to use Times Tables Rockstars weekly to aid them in their times tables practice.

RE and PDL

RE - Towards the end of the first half term, we will be looking at concepts like food rituals and the Eucharist from Christianity.

SCARF – Throughout the Spring Term we will be looking at the units "Keeping Safe" and "Rights and Respect"

Homework

Anton – this is linked to the unit of work studied in Maths for the week.

Reading – Please ensure that your child is reading at least 5 times a week. Please sign your child's bookmark each day and encourage your child to bring their bookmark back to school every Friday for the chance of taking the Reading Buddy bag home over the weekend.