



This term's learning

In English, we will continue working on our topic of 'explanation texts' where we will be looking at using more than one fronted adverbial at the beginning of a sentence, using 'so' and 'yet' to write cause and contrasting sentences and using non-finite clauses in our writing such as '**Singing**, the boy ran to the shop'. We will take inspiration from our topic work as the focus of our writes. We will start reading 'The Iron Man' for our whole class reading sessions.

Within Maths, we will complete our end of topic assessments for measurement before moving onto our second topic of fractions. This time we will be using what we learnt previously to now calculate with fractions. We will also be learning how to tell the time, and all about decimals. This will include looking at tenths and hundredths.

We will be learning about Rivers in our Geography topic. This will include locating some of the main rivers in the UK on a map, learning about the source of a river and its journey to the sea, and comparing and contrasting different rivers.

In History, we will be learning about the Roman Empire. As part of this, we will learn how the Roman Republic became so powerful and how they eventually conquered Britain. We will also learn about who may have lived in Roman Britain and how Leicester developed under Roman Rule.

Our Science topic will be on 'Teeth, eating and food chains' where we will learn about the different types of teeth we have and their uses. We will also learn about food chains, and the different parts within these.

In R.E we will be exploring the question '**What was the impact of Pentecost for Christians?**' We will focus on how the Holy Spirit appeared and identifying what the most important thing about Pentecost is for Christians today.



Reminder

Mrs Maybury teaches from Monday to Wednesday, and Mrs Thomas from Thursday to Friday.

Mrs Maybury will still be in school Thursday and Friday, but will be fulfilling her role as senior teacher.

Dates/Info:

All the upcoming events are on Dojo and our website. We update Dojo with what we've been doing in class and any messages or reminders you need to know- so please keep an eye on it. Below are some key dates for this half term.

April 13th - Forest School

April 20th - Forest School

April 23rd - Year 4 Rise voices

April 27th - Forest School

May 8th - Space centre Info meet

May 22nd - Swimming

Need to know....

Chestnut class have their P.E lesson on a Tuesday and a Thursday. Please ensure children have their P.E kits with them. This needs to be weather appropriate please and include a separate pair of shoes. Occasionally this has to change due to a timetable clash, so please try and send kit in at the beginning of the week. Spelling tests take place on a Thursday morning. New spellings are given and practised in class on a Friday. A copy of these will be given to children to take home to practise and they will be on Spelling Shed to practise also.

At home it would be great to

- Help your child to complete their homework. This is to read at home 4 times a week and record it in their reading records. It is important that children build up their reading fluency to support their comprehension work. We check their reading records every Monday and dojos are awarded for completion.
- In addition to this, homework will be set weekly on Times Table Rock Star, this will be 15 minutes on Garage. The class are making brilliant progress, 'little and often' is really helping them. Once your child has completed their homework the TTRS will allow them to choose the game that they would like to play, including going shopping. This is set weekly on a Friday.
- Support your children with learning their spellings. This can be done in whichever way works best for your child- Spellings Shed is available as a tool to use for this.

If you have any questions, or there's anything you need help with, then please come and see either of us, or message us on Class Dojo. Thank you for your continued support. Mrs Maybury and Mrs Thomas 😊