

Around the World

Year 3/4

Spring Term 1 – 2024



Key Areas of Learning

As **geographers**, we will be exploring the wonders our world has to offer by developing our atlas and map reading skills as well as our geographical knowledge. We will build on our knowledge of the continents and oceans and begin to look more closely at lines of latitude and how these and other things might affect the climate in different places. We will also find out about some of the natural and man-made wonders of the world!

As **scientists**, we will be finding out about states of matter. We will explore the properties of solids, liquids and gases as well as learning about how particles behave in each of these states. We will investigate how we can change a material's state by heating or cooling it.

English

In English this term we will be writing the ending of an overcoming the monster story with a focus on bringing the characters to life.

We will be reading *The Boy Ate the Back of the Class* by Onjali Q. Raúf.

Maths

This term we will be looking at:

- multiplication
- division
- length
- perimeter
- area

RE

We will be asking the question: Is a Hindu child free to choose their belief?

Children will explore the concepts of Dharma, Karma, Moksha and Samsara.

Computing

This term the children will be learning to create their own animations using the iMotion application on our iPads.

PE

The children will be exploring dance through the theme of witches and wizards. We will also start to practise dances for our Easter performance.

We will also be playing netball and learning how to use chest and bounce passes, how to defend and intercept passes and how to shoot.

French

In French this term we will be revising introductions, colours & numbers up to 20. We will continue to develop working in whole sentences.

Art

This term and next, we will be exploring sculpture. We will learn how to design and build an armature and then how to use papier-mâché to surround it and create our own sculpture inspired by nature.

Music

We will be listening to and recreating music from a range of South American countries and finding out about some of the traditional instruments used to create it. Oak will be exploring soundscapes and Elm class will be learning the guitar.

Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural Awareness

The value for the Spring Term is Resilience. Children will be learning what resilience is, why it is important and how we can create a 'can do' culture in our classrooms. We will also be learning about Chinese New Year, Lent, Ramadan, Holi and Palm Sunday in our assemblies.

PSHE

This term we will be thinking about dreams and goals. We will explore themes such as self-belief, perseverance, teamwork and cooperation.