

MTP Curriculum Notes

Year 4 - Summer 2016

ENGLISH:

Our focus for the first half of this term is descriptive writing and comprehension skills in the lead up to the exams. After half term we will be producing diaries of our experiences from Expedition Week. We will continue with regular grammar, vocabulary and spelling exercises during the term. Our class reader is 'Friend or Foe' by Michael Morpurgo.

MATHEMATICS:

In the first half of term we will continue our work on decimals and revise the topics we have covered so far this year in preparation for the examination. After half term we will take a more practical and problem solving approach to shape, space and measurement.

SCIENCE:

This term, the boys will study food chains and moving onto caring for the environment after their Summer exam.

INFORMATION COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY:

In the first half term the boys will start to use a 'LegoWedo' and build different project. They will be introduction to control technology and programming using robotics. They will also be using MSW logo and Scratch programming.

DESIGN TECHNOLOGY:

In DT this term the boys will be designing and constructing a wooden clock using components, design and woodworking skills.

GEOGRAPHY:

The boys will continue to develop their map reading skills and their knowledge of the world through atlas work.

HISTORY:

In History, the boys will focus on the history of the local area as well as a brief introduction to the Tudors as we are visiting Hampton Court Palace in Expedition Week. They will investigate what we can learn about the past from the places we visit.

FRENCH:

In French during the Summer Term, we will focus on the topics of colours and animals. There will also be exam preparation and revision.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

We will complete our studies of major world religions this term by looking at 'Sikhism' this term.

CLASSICS:

The boys will continue to learn about Roman Britain and improve their English by using the Latin language course *Minimus*.

MUSIC:

The boys will develop their understanding of Musical Theory with particular attention being played to musical notation.

DRAMA:

This term the boys will be focusing on character and exploring the central relationships and dilemmas in their class reader, *Friend or Foe* by Michael Morpurgo.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION:

In Physical Education the boys will be given the opportunity to improve on the Athletics skills they learnt in Year 3 in preparation for Sports Day. After Sports Day the boys will be introduced to the exciting sport of Rounders for the final weeks.

GAMES:

In Cricket we shall be playing small sided batting and fielding games to develop co-ordination skills and a tactical knowledge. In case of adverse weather conditions, please could you ensure that your son brings in his school track suit, so that a non-cricket Games lesson can take place outdoors.