



St Peter's C of E Primary School



Curriculum Information

Spring 2020

Early Years

Our topic this term is 'Where to next?'. We are acting out stories, building dens and learning to use our imagination. We are learning to write sentences using sounds we know and are practising reading back what we have written. We are learning to manipulate numbers to 10 by finding different ways of making numbers, adding and subtracting and counting forwards and backwards from a given starting number.

Later in the term we will travel around the world, visiting different countries.

We will be learning about traditions involved in Chinese New Year, as well as looking at similarities and differences between Peru and England. We will also look at seasonal changes as winter is well and truly here.

Please encourage discussions around:

- Different countries around the world
- Using your imagination.

Any relevant artefacts or resources would be very welcome.

Important dates:

14/2/20 Parent workshop

24/3/20 Finkley Down Farm

Year 1

This half term our topic is "Into the Unknown". Children will learn about what it is like to be an explorer. In History we will be finding out about the first moon landing and, linking with this, in DT we will be designing and making moon buggies. In Science we will be focusing on identifying and naming materials as well as looking at birds. Our RE focus will be to think about the question 'Who is Jesus?'

After half term our topic is "Out and About". We will be exploring our local area and making simple maps. In Science we will learn about plants, describing their basic structure and identifying common flowering plants and trees. In RE we will consider 'Why does Easter matter to Christians?' Throughout the term in English we will look at non-fiction texts, instructions, contemporary fiction and poems. In Maths we'll continue to develop our understanding of numbers and place value to 50 alongside addition and subtraction within 20. We'll also learn about measures.

Please encourage discussions around:

- Space exploration, planets, seasonal change, birds, flowering plants and trees, maps, conservation and recycling,
- Any relevant artefacts or resources would be very welcome.

Year 2

In the first half term we will be comparing the role of nurses now and in the past and in particular looking at the lives of Florence Nightingale and Edith Cavell. In Science we shall be learning about how humans grow and how we stay healthy. We will be looking at colour mixing in Art and linking it to the work of Mondrian and Kandinsky.

After half term we will be focusing on Ghana and comparing it to where we live. We will be using our printing skills to design packaging for a Fairtrade product. In Science we will start to investigate what conditions plants need to thrive.

In RE we will be looking at "What is the Good News Jesus brings?" and the question 'Is the World Fair?'. We will be learning about and discussing ours and others' needs.

Please encourage discussions around:

- Healthy Living, Ghana, Fairtrade
- Plants in the local environment

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Important dates:

24/01/20—Florence Nightingale Workshop

6/03/20—2H Class Assembly

20/03/20—2E Class Assembly



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Year 3

During the Spring term in Year 3, English will include imaginary stories, plays and dialogues, creating limericks and writing reports/information texts. In Maths we will be focusing on multiplication and division, money, statistics, length and perimeter and fractions and will be using Power Maths books.

Our topic work will be linked to the British Isles and then inspired by the Celts and Romans with a link to the arts. Science learning will cover nutrition, skeletons and muscles in animals, including humans, and then forces and magnets in the second half. RE will focus on the Gospel and will ask what kind of world Jesus wanted. After half term we will consider why Christians call the day Jesus died, Good Friday. In DT we will be designing a healthy sandwich. This links with our Science and Learning for Life.

Please continue to support your child with:

- Reading, spellings, times tables and Maths Passports
- Encourage discussion around maps of the world and the UK

Important dates:

21/01/20—3S Sandwich Workshop

22/01/20—3G Sandwich Workshop

Year 4

In English this term we'll be writing information texts about life in the Alps to tie in with our Geography study. Our fiction writing will be based on the Iron Man and Gulliver's Travels. Maths learning this term will focus on developing written methods of multiplication and division. We will also cover fractions and decimals. In History we shall be finding out about the Civil War and what happened in Farnham around that time.

In Science we are investigating 'states of matter' and exploring how different environments affect materials. We shall be learning how to make a French dish in DT which again supports our learning in Geography.

This term in RE we shall explore the topic: 'How is Christian worship different around the world?' Our second unit is Why do Christians call the day Jesus died 'Good Friday'? We shall of course end the term with a reflection and study of Easter.

In French we shall be preparing our second letter to Ecole Lochabair.

Please encourage discussions around:

- European geography and the Alps
- Local history and the English Civil War

Please support learning of tables and Y3/Y4 statutory word list

Important dates:

25/3/20 Trip to Farnham Museum & Farnham Maltings

Year 5

In English we shall be studying CS Lewis' The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe and developing narrative writing skills, including direct and reported speech.

In Maths we are working on multiplication and division and applying these to problems.

Our history and art are linked to China with a study of the Shang Dynasty and Chinese drawing and painting styles.

RE learning this term is intended to explore how Christians try to follow the example and teachings of Jesus. We will investigate how the beliefs of Christians lead them to act with compassion and care towards others.

Please support your child:

- To learn their spelling lists and times tables
- Complete their daily reading and weekly Mathletics activities

Important dates:

05/02/20 Trip to the British Museum



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Year 6

In English this term we will begin by studying texts written by Carol Ann Duffy. We shall then focus on Macbeth in time for our visit to the Yvonne Arnaud Theatre. We will be working on our comprehension skills, including understanding and explaining key characters' actions making close reference to the text. We will also be debating important issues linked to Fair Trade.

In Maths we will be continuing to use all four operations and apply them to problem solving and investigations. We will cover a range of Maths topics including position and direction, fractions, decimals and percentages.

Our Geography topic this term is life in South America and after half term we will be finding out about the history of the Mayan people. We will be using the Mexican artist Frieda Kahlo as a starting point for work in art and creating our own portraits.

The human circulatory system including the heart and lungs will be studied in Science, and RE will include discussions about, 'How following God can bring Freedom and Justice?'

The children will continue to develop skills in gym and dance indoors and a variety of invasion games whilst outside. Learning for Life will include discussions on the importance of good communication skills and building positive relationships. We will be continuing to improve our singing and playing skills in music and learning how to talk about our families in French—preparing for our second letter to France!

Please support your child:

- To learn the Y5/Y6 statutory spellings
- Learn their times tables fluently

Important dates:

25/03/2020 Trip to the Yvonne Arnaud Theatre in Guildford

Please remember that your child should have a PE kit in school **every day**. Occasionally PE days have to change because of timetabling and there are sometimes extra learning opportunities where a PE kit is essential.

PE DAYS

EYFS: Friday

Y1: Monday & Wednesday

Y2: Monday & Tuesday

Y3: Tuesday & Thursday

Y4: Monday & Friday

Y5: Tuesday & Friday

Y6: Tuesday & Thursday

- ◆ Tues 11 Feb 2020 & Wed 12 Feb 2020—Parent consultation meetings
- ◆ Half Term—Mon 17 Feb 2020 to Fri 21 Feb 2020
- ◆ INSET day—Mon 24 Feb 2020
- ◆ End of Term—1:30pm Friday 3 April 2020

RE

All year groups follow the Guildford Diocesan RE Programme. and the new national Understanding Christianity Programme. While naturally focusing on the beliefs and traditions of the Christian faith, we also cover other major world religions: Islam, Judaism, Hinduism, Sikhism and Buddhism. More information is available on the Diocesan Website <https://www.cofeguildford.org.uk/>