

# Inspiring Curriculum Newsletter

## Kestrels

Summer 2017



Our Theme : Paintings, Pictures and  
Photographs

### **Our Key Values:**

Caring, Commitment to Achieve, Co-operation,  
Fairness, Honesty, Respect



Welcome back! We are all looking forward to a brand new term.

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### **English**

In English, we are learning how to develop creative writing skills in stories which raise dilemmas and linking our poetry with the works of art we are studying in IPC. We will also be exploring the features of explanations and information texts, as well as promoting grammar, spelling and punctuation during every lesson.

### **Maths**

In Maths, we are continuing to develop the skills involved in calculating using the four operations. We will also work through activities in place value, time and fractions as well as combining these skills in real-life and word problems. Times tables will continue to be learnt on a weekly basis.

### **Science**

In Science, we are learning about light. We will be exploring light and dark and how shadows can be created, as well as looking at the properties of materials, such as transparent, opaque and translucent.

### **R.E**

In R.E, we are learning about the Bible. We will learn facts about the Bible and explore how Christians use it. We will also link our art with our theme of 'Beautiful World, Wonderful God'.

### **Computing**

In Computing, we are learning about how to stay safe when using and communicating on the internet, and developing our skills when collecting and analysing data from opinion polls we have created.

### **PSHE**

In PSHE, we are learning about 'Relationships' and 'Changing Me' in our Jigsaw programme of work.

### **P.E**

With Mr Toothill we will be completing activities in rounders and swimming.

## International Primary Curriculum

We learn these subjects through our theme. For our themes we have an entry day to enthuse the children and an exit day to celebrate all that we have learned.

Our theme is Paintings, Pictures and Photographs.

Our Entry Day activities involve lots of art activities, including each painting a small piece of a large art work and then attempting to put it together again!

Our Exit Day will see the opening of our very own art gallery, where you will be able to visit to see all our amazing paintings, pictures and photographs.

### **As Artists we will be finding out**

- how artists use different materials and techniques for their work
- about the reasons why different art work is produced
- how to appreciate and interpret the work of others

### **As Geographers we will be finding out**

- how symbols are used on maps and plans
- how the world can be recorded in aerial photos and satellite images

### **As Historians we will be finding out**

- about how portraits and photos help us find out about the past

### **As Musicians we will be finding out**

- how symbols are used to represent sound
- how visual images can inspire musical compositions

### **In Society we will be finding out**

- how visual images can be used to influence us
- how graffiti and street art can affect our environment

## **Important Information**

As per the school homework policy, which is available at [www.marketrasen.lincs.sch.uk](http://www.marketrasen.lincs.sch.uk) homework will be set on Thursday and returned on Monday.

Our Swimming day is Wednesday and our PE day is Friday.

Please continue to encourage your child to read any night, and sign their Reading Record book when they do. Asking questions about what they have read will also help their comprehension skills. Thank you.

Also this term, the Kestrels have the opportunity to become Penpals with other schools globally. We are looking forward to seeing the work this connection produces and learning about these countries.

I hope this gives you a clearer picture of the work we will be covering this term. I'm sure it will be another exciting term of work. If you have any queries about anything, please feel free to email me or book an appointment.

***Thank you.***

**Amanda Roe**