

Inspiring Curriculum Newsletter

Kestrels

Spring 2020



Our Theme: Where in the UK would you like to live?

Our Christian Values:

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



Happy New Year! Welcome back to the Spring term. We are all looking forward to working together on lots of exciting topics.

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Our theme is 'Where in the UK would you like to live?'
On our WOW Day we will be doing a variety of activities, including making Union flags and creating a huge floor map of Market Rasen.
For our Exit Day we will be creating and playing a Geography game based on the Great Game of Britain board game.

<p style="text-align: center;">English</p> <p>In English, we are learning how to develop creative writing skills in narrative writing and poetry, as well as looking at playscripts ready for our Easter production. We will also be exploring the features of persuasive texts, as well as promoting grammar, spelling and punctuation during every lesson.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Mathematics</p> <p>In Mathematics, we are continue to learn about the skills involved in calculating using the four operations, especially in division. We will also work through activities in fractions, time, length and perimeter as well as combining these skills in real-life and word problems. Times tables will be practised on a daily basis, in preparation for the Government's Year 4 Multiplication Facts Check in the summer term.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Science</p> <p>In Science we are studying Forces and Magnets. We will identify different types of forces and investigate a series of questions to explore how things move on different surfaces. We will be investigating magnets and what materials are attracted or repelled.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">PSHE</p>

In PSHE, our themes within the Jigsaw scheme of work will be 'Dreams and Goals' and 'Healthy Me.

RE

In R.E, we are focusing on communities in Islam and how worship and celebrations help to build these. After half term, we will be looking at Creation from the Understanding Christianity unit of work.

P.E.

With Mr Toothill we will be completing activities in dance and hockey.

Geography

In Geography, we are exploring the UK, learning to locate major cities and areas, finding the difference between rural and urban areas and learning to use a map with compass points and 4-figure grid references.

Design and Technology

In DT, we are looking at bridges. We will design our own bridges, then use a variety of materials to make them. Once we have tested them, we will improve the design or the materials to make the bridges better.

Computing

In Computing, our unit will be "We are meteorologists" to link with our Geography topic. We will be recording and researching different types of weather from different areas in the UK. These will then be logged on a computer, from which we will create graphs.

Important Information

As per the school homework policy which is available at www.marketrasen.lincs.sch.uk homework will be set on Thursday and returned on Monday.

Our P.E days are: Wednesday and Friday. Please ensure your child has the correct kit in school. Children should have their kit in school all week, as on occasion we do need to swap our PE days due to staffing changes. Please ensure that PE kits are in school on a Monday and left in lockers all week. They can be taken home at the weekend to be washed if necessary and returned on Monday

Spelling rules will be learnt and tested on a Monday and a Friday, as listed on homework sheets. Tables tests (Maths Challenge) will take place on a Friday. It would be greatly appreciated if you could help your child to prepare for these each week.

Please continue to hear your child read and complete their Reading Record book at 3 times a week, more often if possible. Discussing and spelling words from the Y3/4 list within the Reading Record would also be a great help.

Thank you.

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.

Miss Dawn Featherstone