



Tribal Tales

Roots to grow, wings to fly

Welcome to the curriculum notes for Kingfishers. Here you will find an overview of what Kingfishers will be working on throughout terms 1&2.

Who's who?

Mrs Dixon teaches in Kingfishers Monday to Wednesday and Mrs Sturla teaches every Thursday and Friday. Our teaching assistants are Mrs Xavier, Mr Smith and Mr Harris.

PE

PE is on Wednesdays and Thursdays but kits should be in school every day as lessons may be changed at short notice. PE kits are a white or blue t-shirt, black shorts and trainers. Black or navy jumpers and jogging bottoms in colder months. Long hair needs to be tied up and earrings should be taken out or covered with tape.

HOMEWORK

This term in Kingfishers we will be focusing on times tables and reading for homework. A sheet will come home on a Friday and will need to be returned the following Thursday. Reading records should come to school every day and will be checked on a Friday. Children should aim to read at home at least 3 times a week. (Spelling will be done in school.)

Respect

Kindness

Perseverance

Areas of Exploration

Science

First we will be exploring Forces and Magnets in our science before moving onto Materials: States of matter.

French

First we will look at greetings in French with puppets followed by looking at French adjectives for size and colour.

History

Our work in history over the next two terms is early British History and we will be looking at answering the question: 'Would you prefer to live in the Stone, Bronze or Iron Age?'

Geography

Geography lessons will be looking at answering the question 'Who Lives in Antarctica?'. This area of learning will include learning about climate zones, and learning about Ernest Shackleton.

Computing

After investigating Networks in Kingfishers we will explore Computing systems: A Journey inside a computer.

DT

We will investigate Cooking and Nutrition which will involve adapting recipes.

Religious Education

In Term 1 our focus is Christianity and we are exploring the key question: What do Christians learn from the creation story? In Term 2 our focus covers a range of religions including: Christian/Jewish, Buddhist, Muslim, Hindu and Humanist as we look at the question 'Where do our morals come from?'

English



Above are just some of the books we will be exploring as a class through English, guided reading sessions and beyond. With Mrs Sturla, Kingfishers will read 'How to wash a Mammoth' and learn how to write instructions and recap and consolidate some of the grammar they have learnt in year 2/3 and well as learning some new grammar skills.

Maths

Kingfishers will be beginning the year by looking at place value and reasoning and problem-solving skills. We will look at written methods for addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, as well as area. We will also be practicing our times tables.

PSHE

Themes we are exploring in lessons over the next two terms include Family & Relationships and Health and Wellbeing .

P.E

In PE we will participate in a variety of areas including gymnastics, outdoor activities, invasion games and dodgeball.

Music

This year we are thrilled to be able to offer whole class instrumental clarinet lessons for pupils. This will be combined with looking at the music of South America in our traditional music lessons.

Art

We will begin with a focus on drawing and making inspired by Maurice Sendak, followed by exploring how we can use colour, line and shape to create patterns, including repeating patterns.

