

We hope this topic letter will give you some insight into the work your child will cover during this term.

History and Geography

We will be first be learning about 'The Astonishing Aztecs'. This topic will be supported by an exciting workshop! We will learn about how the Aztec period began and ended and we will compare Aztec life to our life today. After half term, we will be learning about 'Rampaging Rivers', this will be supported by a walk to Penton Hook Lock. During this topic, we will learn about the features of a river and make cross curricular links to science when we investigate river wildlife.

Literacy

During our daily literacy lessons, we will open with a focus on non-fiction writing, which will be based on the Aztecs. In our fiction writing, we will continue to put an emphasis on spelling, punctuation, grammar and character and scene description. We will continue to encourage the children to make creative and ambitious vocabulary choices, often borrowing from what they have read. In Guided Reading, we will continue to be immersed in a range of texts, equipping the children with vital skills in understanding at a deeper level what they are reading.

Numeracy

During their daily mathematics lessons, the children will continue to learn about fractions and decimals. Then, we will cover money and time. After that, we will be looking at statistics, geometry, position, and direction. Please see our maths home learning ideas leaflet for how to support your child at home with these topics.

Computing (I.C.T)

The children will be continuing to work on spreadsheets, before learning skills for effective searching, using Logo, word processing and animation.

R.E.

This term the children will be learning about Christianity around the world and what Sikhs value.

Art

In Art, we will be constructing our own Aztec Head dress to wear for our workshop. We will also sketch Aztec warriors and Gods. During our visit to Penton Hook Lock, we will be making observational sketches of the plants and wildlife. During healthy living and arts week, we will be exploring emotions within art using different medias.

P.E.

Within lessons, we will focus on athletic skills ready for sports day, such as sprinting, jumping and throwing, there will be a half term unit focussed on exercises that can support daily life and the importance of maintaining fitness to have a healthy life

PSHE

In the first part of the term, the children will look at Aztec worry people. We will also continue to focus on Zones of Regulation. After half term, we will be teaching Relationships and Sex Education. A breakdown of these lessons were sent home to you last half term. If you require any more information, please ask your child's class teacher.

Science

Our science topics this term will be 'States of Matter' which focuses on the different states of matter in our universe, focusing on solids, liquids and gases. The children will engage in a number of exciting experiments to uncover the properties of the different states of matter.

Ways in which you can help us:

- Please ensure PE kits are worn on days Year 4 have PE (usually Tuesday and Thursday).
 - Please ensure that earrings are removed on PE days.
- Supporting children at home with reading, times table practise, dictation practise and their learning log tasks.
- Please check their home/school learning diaries every night for important information.
- Please remember to inform the school office of any changes of address, home telephone, mobile telephone number or any other Emergency contact information.

Thank you for your continued support.
We are looking forward to a FANTASTIC term!!

Summer Term Topic Letter for Parents

Buckland Primary School



The Astonishing Aztecs and Rampaging Rivers

The school day starts at 8.50am and ends at 3pm

April 2022 - July 2022

Year 4

Mr Turner and Mrs Mahmood