

This is an overview of the learning that will be taking place in Year 3/4 this half term.

## English

**Class Text** - This term we will be reading *Oliver and the Seawigs and Flotsam*. As part of this unit, we will be looking at writing our own travel brochures, and survival guides, as well as writing our own versions of the story.

**Spellings** - Children are continuing to learn their clued spellings.

**Grammar** - This term we will be focussing on using homophones correctly, staying with the same tense and continuing our work on using fronted adverbials with a comma.

## Science

Our topic is states of matter. In this unit, the children will develop an understanding of the main properties of solids, liquids and gases.

## Art

In this unit we will be focussing on colour theory and mixing. We will look at tertiary colours and match colours to emotions.

## PE

Our indoor unit will be dance, with a focus on artistry and partnerships. Our outdoor unit will be basketball. Elm Class will be swimming.

## PSHE

This half term we will be focussing on our goals and dreams. We will be focussing on challenges we face and how we can overcome them to help us achieve our goals.

## RE

This term we will be focussing on Buddhism. We will be looking at the life of the Buddha and how Buddhist beliefs can lead to happy lives. We will also be investigating the Noble truths and the Noble Eightfold path.

## Maths

This term we are continuing our work on multiplication and division. It is important that the children are confident recalling their times table facts as this will aid their learning during this unit. Please ensure you are continuing to practice these at home. TTRockstars is great for this! We will also be learning about length and perimeter.

## History

Our topic is The Shang Dynasty.

We will be learning about:

- When the Shang Dynasty reigned.
- The importance of Fu Hao and what her tomb tells us about her life.
- To think about and describe what life was like during the Shang Dynasty.

## Computing

In computing we are focussing on programming and debugging using Scratch. The children will learn to write a Scratch program that contains variables and repetition. They will then write their own program using both these skills, getting their friends to have a go and answer specific questions.

The children will then attempt to 'debug' a program when things don't go according to plan.

## Music

This half term, we will be taught by BYMT and progressing our skills using boomwhackers.



## Spanish

In Spanish we will be studying the unit 'La Fruta' We will learn the names of ten different fruits. We will be consolidating on our vocabulary, grammar and punctuation while learning vocabulary to use when ordering food..

