



St Mary Abbots School

Class 4 Curriculum Newsletter – Spring 1

Dear Year 4 parents,

I hope that you have all enjoyed a wonderful Christmas break and I am looking forward to welcoming the children back for an exciting term. We have lots of learning planned both inside and outside the classroom in the coming weeks.

We will be looking at rivers and mountains in Geography. We will learn how these physical features are formed, and how they impact on landscapes and habitats. We will learn about the major rivers and mountain ranges in the world, and look at a major UK river as a case study.

Our reading book is the King of the Cloud Forests by Michael Morpurgo, and in English we will look at books with a mountain and river theme. Our Art topic is landscapes.

In Science we will complete our sound module by investigating insulating materials, then go on to look at states of matter, including the water cycle.

We will visit the London Wetland Centre, and the Neasden Mandir. Class 4 will be leading the Eucharist service on Thursdays from week 2. They will be taking part in the Proms for Praise at the Albert Hall later in the Spring Term, so will be practising for this and attending a workshop in February.

Best wishes, Ms Kemlo

Homework Notice!

Every Monday homework will be printed and distributed.
It is due in on Friday of the same week.

Maths



Our Mathematics focus will be data and graphs, then moving on to fractions, and finishing with time, including the 24 hour clock. We will continue to practice our times tables facts in time for the National test in June.

English



In English this half term, we will be writing a retell and a recount, inspired by writing on the themes of mountains and rivers. We will finish with a piece based on the work of our visiting author Nicola Davies.

Our Curriculum Topics

Science

Sound; States of Matter

History

Misty Mountain, Winding River

Religious Education

How do Hindus worship?

Music

Proms Praise for Schools (King David)

Physical Education

Fitness

Art & DT

Vista (Landscapes)

PSHE

Rights and Respect

Computing

Purple Mash

The Christian value for this half term is:

Peace

Key Information

- PE lessons are on Wednesday mornings; please ensure children bring their PE kit in.
- Reading books and records should be brought to school each day.
- Homework is set on a Monday and due in on Friday.