



St Mary Abbots School

Class 4 Curriculum Newsletter – Spring 2

Dear Year 4 Parents,

Welcome back to Spring 2 term which is packed with learning and enrichment for the children. I hope that you all had a restful half term holiday and your children are ready for the next few weeks.

We will be continuing our Geography unit on rivers and mountains, looking at how different types of mountain are formed, discovering mountain ranges of the world and looking in detail at some mountains in the UK.

We will finish reading the King of the Cloud Forests by Michael Morpurgo in our reading lessons, and will look at a number of texts in English lessons, including Everest: The Remarkable Story of Edmund Hillary and Tenzing Norgay, by Alexandra Stewart. In Art we will be looking at and creating our own representations of animals, and in Design and Technology different fabrics, 'Fancy and Functional', including printmaking.

In Science we will complete our unit on states of matter, looking at the water cycle, and attending a workshop at the Wetland Centre in Barnes. We will then move on to look at classifying and grouping in the animal and plant kingdoms.

In Music we will be practising the songs for our upcoming performance in the Proms for Praise concert at the Royal Albert Hall, with a practice workshop in late February.

Our Curriculum Topics

Science

States of Matter; Grouping and Classifying

Geography

Misty Mountain, Winding River

Religious Education

Holy Communion; building a Christian Community

Music

Proms Praise for Schools (King David)

Physical Education

Fitness

Art & DT

Animal; Fabrics: Fancy and Functional

PSHE

Keeping Safe

Computing

Purple Mash: Spreadsheets

Homework Notice!

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

Maths



In Maths we will cover decimal numbers and then money before moving on to length, area, perimeter, mass and volume. We will continue to practice our times tables ready for the National Test in June.

English



In English this half term, we will be writing an information leaflet and a diary entry as well as work around our visiting author Nicola Davies to celebrate World Book Day in March.

The Christian value for this half term is:

Forgiveness

Key Information

- PE lessons are on Wednesday mornings; please ensure children bring their PE kit with them to change into.
- Reading books and records should be brought into school each day.