

Christian Values

During this term we will be focusing on the values of forgiveness and endurance.

Reading:

We expect children to read every day to improve fluency, understanding and promote enjoyment. Please ensure home reading books and reading records are brought into school on a daily basis.

Parents:

Please encourage your child to develop increasing independence.

Children should be able to:

- Take home their homework, complete it and return it on time
- Take home and return letters, permission slips etc promptly

Please contact us if you are able to help us in any way – in class, on trips, ideas for visits and visitors, insights into a specific area of working life, and so on.

Many thanks for your continued support.

**Following Jesus, together we
succeed**

Bishop David Sheppard CE (A) Primary School



**HAST
(Home and School
Together)**

**Spring Term
2022-2023
Year 4: Mrs Woosey and
Miss Broker**

Mathematics

Your child will follow the National Curriculum for Mathematics. The topics they will cover this term include:

- Multiplication and division
- Length and perimeter
- Fractions
- Decimals

Times Tables Rockstars and Maths at home

Please help your child to learn their tables and to practise their mental maths skills. All the children have their own Times Table Rockstars log in which they can use for access at home. Please encourage them to access it daily. Ten minutes a day will have a big impact. Little and often is best.

English

Your child will follow the National Curriculum for English. This term they will be focussing on poetry, debating, letters of persuasion, character description, explanation texts and adventure narrative. They will be covering wider genres across the curriculum eg. non-chronological reports in history and persuasive writing in geography.

Guided Reading: Through guided reading children will develop skills including: literal (what is actually there), deductive (looking for clues) inferential (reading between the lines). Children will also continue to make progress through their home readers. Children will also be listened to by adults during the week in school to support fluency and take part in a whole class comprehension lesson weekly.

Spelling: Children will have spelling lessons in school each week. We appreciate your support in helping your child to learn their spellings. Please practise throughout the week ready for a spelling and dictation test every Friday.

Handwriting: Children should be able to write, using a joined style, with increasing speed.

Religious Education

Your child will study the following topics:

- How did/does Jesus change lives?
- Is the cross a symbol of sadness or joy?

We will also focus on the world religions of Hinduism and Christianity.

Physical Education

During this term, the children will take part in swimming and dance. PE will take place every Monday. Please ensure your child comes into school in PE kit with their swimming kit including swimming trunks or swimsuit, hat, goggles and towel every Monday during the first half term. Please check the uniform list for swimming kit requirements.

Children will need to come to school wearing their PE kit on Mondays after half term (Spring 2).

Science

This term we will be studying Electricity and Sound.

Throughout the year children will work to:

- ask and answer relevant questions
- set up simple practical enquiries
- make systematic and careful observations
- collect data, record and present findings
- use scientific language.

Geography

This term the children will be learning about Settlements and Cities and Agriculture.

History

This term the children will be learning about the Indus Valley Civilization and Persia and Greece.

French

This term we will develop our language skills across the topics of

- 'Ancient Britain'
- 'Presenting myself'

Music

We will explore music that promotes messages around friendship and anti-bullying. We will focus on tempo, rhythm and pitch.

Art

We will be exploring the work of Sonia Delaunay and learn more about jewellery designers. We will work on skills including drawing and textiles.

DT

We will learn more about levers and linages, making a pop up story book.

Computing

We will learn more about writing for different audiences and the use of logos.

Personal, Social, Health, Education (PSHE)

This term we will discuss the following topics:

- Computer safety-online bullying and managing our information online.
- Being responsible
- Healthy living
- Breaking down barriers