



ST RICHARD'S
SCHOOL

Curriculum Overview Spring Term Year 4

Misty Mountain, Winding River



Year 4 Timetable

Day	Subject
Monday	
Tuesday	
Wednesday	Homework due in PE – wear PE kit to school
Thursday	
Friday	Homework set

Reading at Home

Children are expected to read at least 5x per week. Each child will be given a coloured book band book, which they should read aloud to an adult. They will also have a library book. The library book should be shared together with an adult. All reading should be recorded in the Reading Record.

Homework

Homework is given out on a Friday and needs to be handed in the following Wednesday. Homework consists of a handwriting practice sheet, a Maths task and spelling words to learn. Maths and spelling activities can also be practised on Spelling Shed. Your child's login details can be found in the front of their reading record. Children also have home access to Purple Mash and Language Angels. If homework or reading is not completed, children will be kept in at playtime to complete it.

Useful Websites

<http://primaryhomeworkhelp.co.uk/>

<http://www.topmarks.co.uk/>

<https://www.spellingshed.com/en-gb/>

<https://www.purplemash.com/sch/forgew-tw13>

<https://www.languageangels.com/schools/>

English

In English lessons we will be reading the Power of Reading texts: 'King of the Cloud Forest' and 'Kensuke's Kingdom' which are both written by Michael Morpurgo. Children will read and write a range of genres including recounts, reports, newspapers, instructions, stories and poems.

There will be a continued focus on using expanded noun phrases, fronted adverbials and commas to separate clauses in their writing.

Maths

We will be focussing on multiplication and division methods which include multiplying and dividing 2 and 3 digit numbers by 1 digit i.e. 456×3 . Next, we will explore area by counting squares and comparing. After half term, we will learn fractions. We will add and subtract fractions. Lastly, we will explore decimal tenths and hundredths. We will learn the 3, 6, 7, 9, 11 and 12 times tables.

Spanish

We will be learning about 'Ancient Britain'. They will be able to name important people and events. Next, we will learn how to 'Present Myself' by stating our name, age and where we live.

Science

Our first topic is 'States of Matter', which will teach children about solids, liquids and gases and their properties. We will observe how materials change state as they are heated and cooled. After half term, we will study 'Grouping and Classifying'. Children will learn about grouping living things, which is known as classification. We will study animal and plant kingdoms and create our own classification keys.

Religious Education

We will be focussing on the key questions – How do Hindus worship? And do faith and Christian faith go together?

Art and Design Technology

We will be studying 'Animal'. We will learn about the historical and cultural portrayal of animals in art. We will study the visual qualities of animals through sketching, printing and clay modelling. Next, in DT, we will explore 'Functional and Fancy Fabrics'. This will focus on the work of designer William Morris. Children will get to design and make a fabric sample.

PE

We will start the term with fitness. Children will develop their speed, strength and stamina. They will develop agility and balance. After half term, we will learn football. Children will develop their control of the ball, passing and tackling.

Computing

Using Purple Mash, we will explore spreadsheets. We will create our own graphs and use and make our own spreadsheets. Next, we will be 'writing for different audiences' where we will be writing a campaign.

History and Geography

In our 'Misty Mountain, Winding River' topic, we will be learning about the characteristics and features of rivers and mountain ranges around the world. This will include a detailed exploration of the ecosystems and processes that shape them and the land around them.

Music

We will be learning a song/rap called 'stop' about bullying. Children will learn through games, singing and composing. Next, we will learn the song 'Lean on Me' by Bill Withers.

PSHE

We will be focussing on belonging to a community. We will explore different communities and show compassion towards those in need. Next, we will learn about online adverts.