

Curriculum Overview

Spring 2 2024

Plum Tree Class

Dear Parents and Carers,

The year is flying by, and we have been thrilled with the pupils' learning. Now is a really key part of the year so please ensure that your child completes their reading plus daily, as well as their homework and any other additional tasks. It is important that they return their CGP books each day so that we can continue to review learning. We end the term with our residential, and can't wait for all of the excitement and activities. Information will continue to be provided, but please let us know if you have any questions.

SATS are also on the way soon, and we are beginning to prepare for these. We will be running workshops (both in school and online) to answer any questions that you have. As always, please come and find me via the office if you have any thoughts or queries.

Yours in Education,

Mr Robinson



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Important information:

- Please ensure all your children's clothing is labelled clearly with their name.
- Please consider booking non-emergency appointments out of school time to avoid missed learning.

Key dates

Important dates for Spring Term 2nd half 2024

Tuesday February 20th	Spring term part 2 starts for all children from 8:45am.	Tuesday February 27th	Coffee Morning for parents and carers 8:45am Emotional School Based Avoidance session with Chi our WAMHS Support
Wed-Fri February 28th - March 1st	Final Ufton Court Camp for Year 4 children. Depart 8:00am 28/2/24	Wednesday March 6th	Coffee Morning for parents and carers 8:45am Helping at home with spelling (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6)
Thursday March 7th	World Book Day Come to school and read with your child - Children can dress up as a book character or wear comfy clothes.	Tuesday March 12th	Coffee Morning for parents and carers Self Care for Parents with Chi WAMHS
Thursday March 14th	Coffee Morning for parents and carers Yr 6 assessment information session 8:45am in person & 5:00pm online	Friday March 15th	Red Nose Day Children are encouraged to wear red and wear a red nose. Available from the office for £2.
Friday March 15th	Outstanding Celebration Please join us for a celebration afternoon tea in your child's class from 2:30pm	Tuesday & Wednesday March 19th & 20th	Children's Progress Meetings for Parents From 3:50pm - bookings essential
Monday - Wednesday March 25th - 27th	Yr 6 Residential PGL trip to Liddington, Wiltshire. Bus departs 8:00am 25/3/24	Thursday March 28th	Spring term ends School finishes at 1:45pm. (No clubs or After School Care)

Reading

We will be focusing on impression, atmosphere and evidence questions across a variety of texts. We will study the books 'tell me no lies', and 'can you see me?' in depth. We will also look at extracts including food of the world and poetry.

RE

Our Big Question this term is, "How does the festival of Easter offer hope?" We will explore what Christians believe about Easter and will study Jesus' journey to the Cross leading to the Resurrection. We will explore issues such as forgiveness to understand hope as part of God's plan for salvation.

Computing

This term we will learn to understand how computers connect over networks, including the internet.

PE days

PE this term is on Mondays. Please ensure children come to school in the correct PE uniform.

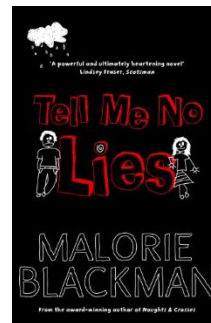
Writing

In writing, we will be linking to our topic book, 'If the world was a village', and we will begin by creating instructional texts on how best to create our own village. Following this, we will be writing a narrative that focuses on speech to show character and move the story forwards, by looking at refugee tales. Finally, we will be creating descriptive writing of viewpoints and settings in order to immerse the reader and describe detail and atmosphere.



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*This half term in
Year 6 we are
thinking, learning
and remembering...*



Our class reader this half term is...

Maths

In Maths, the main focus for this half term will be geometry, focusing on reading and writing coordinates, as well as exploring translation and symmetry. The children will learn how to calculate missing angles, solve problems involving area, perimeter and volume and calculate word problems that involve various units of measure. We will also begin to look at algebraic expressions, and work with ratio.

History / Geography

This term our focus will be on the Geography unit, 'If the world was a village'. We will be looking at the most populous countries in the world and examine the reasons why. We will look at how these countries are connected and associate with each other, and during history, examine how they have changed over time, and why.

Science

In science we will describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including microorganisms, plants and animals. We will give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics.

