

## CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

# SPRING TERM 1 | 2020-2021

#### **OUR CORE VALUES**



#### CURRICULUM STATEMENT

PROJECT

We are committed to providing high quality remote learning for all children and we have planned a challenging, engaging and exciting curriculum again for this half term. Our remote provision will enable our pupils to continue to master the core skills and embed knowledge whilst exploring new themes and topics. Our Five Guiding Powers continue to underpin our learning. Lessons will be a blend of video lessons from Oak Academy, our own teachers' video lessons and our own learning tasks. Children will receive regular written feedback on their work from their class teacher and they will have the opportunity to take part in 'live' feedback sessions to address any gaps or misconceptions and make improvements.

#### READING

Every week we will read a new text from a wide variety of genres including: poetry, fiction, non-fiction, biographies, newspapers and more. Through these texts, we will practice all of the skills that will help us to become the best readers we can be (words in context, retrieval, inference, prediction and summarising).

### WRITING

After a brief recap on Non-Chronological Reports, we will be using the playscript Macbeth by William Shakespeare to explore narrative writing. We will analyse the text and explore key settings and characters. Then, we will begin to build our narrative by developing an understanding of how to write rich setting and character descriptions. Throughout the unit we will focus on Year 6 grammar objectives, and we will consolidate our learning with our own narrative.

#### MATHS

In our maths units this term we will be beginning to explore the connections between Fractions, Decimals and Percentages. We will also be starting to look at algebra and how to read, create and solve various equations. We will then apply this knowledge to problem solving situations. Throughout the term we will continue to revisit the four rules in mathematics consolidating previous learning.

# In Science we will be learning about the Human Anatomy, understanding the organ's functions, the different body systems and how vital they are in order for our body's daily functions. We will be learning about the way our bodies grow and change I comparison to animals.

In Geography we will be learning about Biomes: What are the Earth's Biomes? What affects the Earth's ecosystems? How they are being damaged and why they are fragile?

We will then be exploring the topic of Energy and Sustainability in some exciting lessons researching: How do we produce and sustain energy? Compare how energy was produced in the past to how it could be produced in the future; how fireworks are made?

#### PSHE

This term, our PSHE topic is "Keeping Safe." We will be learning the potential dangers of fireworks, traffic, household hazards, and fire. We will explore rules and how to follow them to keep ourselves safe.

#### RE

This term, we will be exploring Buddhism. We will begin with a study of Siddhartha Gautama and the creation of Buddhism before we delve into the practices, literature and history of Buddhists.

# PE

We will focus on keeping active by taking part in recorded lessons and activities led by our sports coaches and class teachers.

## MUSIC

We will be exploring Classical Music, studying different pieces of classical music, recognising the elements that make up the pieces, and performing sections of the pieces themselves.

