



The smallest of all seeds becomes the largest of the garden plants

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Newsletter – Summer 2 - Year 4 Mrs Stokes, Mrs Day and Mr Farr

Mathematics

This half term we are going to be finishing our time unit which we started in Summer 1. We have explored how a year is shown on a calendar. They will also be converting different units of time and comparing durations of time. We will then move onto shape and explore angles within shapes. We will be learning about different sized angles and relating those angles to turns. We will learn how to recognise different shapes including: quadrilaterals, regular and irregular polygons. Following this, we will then move onto position and direction and statistics.

English

Reading – We will be looking at a wide range of texts which supports pupils reading skills including retrieval, vocabulary, inference and application of questions. This build-up of skills allows pupils to foster a love of reading which will support pupils in their independent reading at home.

Writing- This half-term we are using the book 'Max and the Millions' by Ross Montgomery as a basis for our Writing lessons. The book is about a ten year old boy who is deaf and prefers to spend time alone. He discovers a tiny civilisation of people who live in the caretaker's floor in his school. We will write a set of instructions to create our own diorama – a miniature world in a box and then move onto writing our own narrative.

Useful Information

Reading a little each day really helps. Reading books and diaries will need to be in school every day. Please sign your child's reading diary when they read at home – once the children have read 15 times at home, they get a prize from the box and a raffle ticket to be in with the chance of winning an Amazon voucher! The benefits of reading regularly at home are enormous.

This term we will continue to set targeted activities on Times Tables Rock Stars, in March this will include 3 games of Soundcheck, 3 games of studio and 15 minutes on Garage. In May this will change to, 6 games of Soundcheck, 15 games of Studio. It is highly important that children continue to learn and practise their times tables in preparation for the Multiplication Tables Check in Summer term.

Our PE days will continue to be on Tuesday's and Wednesday's. Earrings should be either removed or taped up on PE days for safety. With our current unit being gymnastic, please ensure you have an outdoor kit, including joggers and a jacket.

Our current class novel is 'Max and the Millions'

Thank you for your continued support. If there is anything else you would to discuss, please use our school email: office@priorsmill.org.uk and somebody will be happy to help.

Science – States of Matter

We will compare and group materials together. Children will observe and understand the changing state of materials. We will identify what evaporation and condensations are in the water cycle.

French – In the Classroom.

Children will be thinking about what they have and do not have in their school bag in French. We will also look at previously learnt grammar, using it with new vocabulary.

PSHCE – First Aid

In PSHCE we will be looking at the importance of first aid, we will look at the main principles of first aid. We will go over who to and how to contact help for emergency first aid.

PE – Athletics.

In PE we will be looking at jumping and running. We will be learning at how to jump for longer distances. Children will practise their sprinting and we will also be completing relay races.

Religious Education – What does it mean to be a Hindu in Britain today?

Children will be able to describe Hindu beliefs about God and make links between Hindu beliefs and the aims of life. They will also describe how Hindus show their faith in Britain today.

History– Why invade and settle in Britain?

Year 4 have already made their own Viking Longboats and will continue to learn about the Anglo Saxons settling in Britain. Geography – What are the wonders of the rainforest? Children will learn about where rainforests are in the world and how they have their hot, humid climate.