



Kingfishers Curriculum Newsletter

Italy - Autumn 2024



PSHE

We will be spending time establishing routines and expectations together, as well as revisiting our Anker Valley school values and virtues. We will also be learning about the effects of tobacco.



Key Dates for Kingfishers



- Tuesday 3rd September – School opens
- Tuesday 3rd September – Open afternoon / Meet your child's new teacher 3:30pm – 4:30pm
- Thursday 19th September – Year 3 (Kingfishers) Bikeability (More information to follow)
- Friday 20th September – Jeans for Genes Day (Donations of £1 on Parent Pay)
- Friday 27th September – Harvest Festival led by Year 2 (No Family Assembly on this day) 9:00am
- Tuesday 15th October and Thursday 17th October – Parents Evenings (Further details to follow)
- Tuesday 22nd October – Kingfisher's Trip to Tatton Park (Further details to follow)
- Thursday 24th October – Pumpkin Festival (4:00pm – 5:30pm) (Further details to follow)
- Friday 25th October – Inset Day (School Closed to all pupils)
- Monday 28th October – Friday 1st November – Half Term

Mathematics

The children will further extend and deepen their knowledge of place value by partitioning and ordering numbers up to 1000. We will apply number bonds, and families to help us to solve addition and subtraction problems over the 100 barrier. The children will also be learning their times table facts using the TTRockstars app as a resource to support this.



RE

In R.E, we will be exploring the different rules within religion and how they are followed. We will also question how these rules impact their day to day life and how they link to people's values and virtues.

Art

The children will explore using charcoal to create gestural drawing that can be expressive. They will experiment with how they can use light to make their drawings more dramatic.



English

Writing- Using the text The Tin Forest, the children will write a character description, re-write the story with an alternative ending and a diary entry. We will focus on developing writing stamina and developing a range of vocabulary.

Spelling- will be taught daily using the Spelling Shed spelling scheme.

Reading- will be taught three times a week as a whole class. In addition to this children will have the opportunity to read 1:1 with an adult in school too. During the whole class reading sessions we will look at the skills of reading including: understanding vocabulary, inference, retrieval sequencing and prediction. We will be reading .

Home reading books – Changed every Thursday



Geography

The children will study Italy and its human and physical features. They will use their knowledge of maps to identify where Italy is and its key cities. We will explore what makes Italy a popular holiday location and compare its culture to the UK's.



Computing

During this unit the children will develop their understanding of digital devices. They will also compare digital and non-digital devices. Next, learners will be introduced to computer networks, including devices that make up a network's infrastructure.

How you can support your child at home

Please listen to your child read and share books with them to help foster a love of reading. They will have access to numbots and TT Rockstars at home to develop their maths fluency. Please ensure that your child completes these tasks.



Staffing in Kingfishers

- Mrs L Williams – Monday – Friday
- Mrs S Garrett – Monday - Friday
- Mrs N Horlor – Monday and Wednesday afternoons



Physical Education (PE)

P.E lessons will be on a **Tuesday** and a **Wednesday**. Please make sure your child has their PE kit in school; labelled with their name to help when changing. Earrings should be removed and hair tied back. PE kits will be sent home at the end of each half term for washing. We will be developing skills in tag rugby and basketball this half term.

Science

The children will work scientifically to compare how things move on different surfaces and begin to understand that some forces need contact while others can work from a distance. They will observe how magnets attract and repel and compare and classify objects based on whether or not they are attracted to the magnet.

Forest School Sessions are a **Monday** with Miss Garrett. Your child will need to bring a named pair of wellies and puddle suit/ waterproof trousers/coat **every Monday from 16th September. These will not stay in school.**

