



Preston C of E Primary School Curriculum Information

**Year
Term**

Y4

Spring 2023

Dear Parents

This letter is designed to provide key information about learning this term.

SUBJECT	CONTENT
English	This term ,we will be focusing on stories from other cultures using traditional Indian tales to link with our Geography topic on India. The children will also have the opportunity to explore a range of poetry and non-fiction texts. We will continue to consolidate reading comprehension skills using a variety of texts. Throughout the term, the children will broaden their understanding of grammatical techniques and devices.
Mathematics	Following the Year 4 Mathematical National Curriculum objectives, children will learn to; ◆ To use formal written methods for multiplication, subtraction, addition and division. ◆ To understand decimals, fractions, converting units of measure and negative numbers. We will also be teaching strategies to help the children apply their skills and knowledge to real life situations as well as developing their mental maths capabilities. ◆ There will be an ongoing focus will also be given to mental recall of all times tables.
Science	States of matter: Children will become aware of the different states of matter: solids, liquids and gases and how they can be changed. They will also learn about how these states relate to the water cycle and the link between evaporation and condensation. Sound and vibration: Children will look at how sounds are made and recognise the process of how we hear vibration in our ears. They will consider the impact of pitch, volume and distance on sound.
Computing	Multimedia: Children will develop skills in PowerPoint to produce a presentation on India inc. manipulating images, altering text and using the Internet as a research tool. E-Safety: Children will consider all aspects of E-Safety to keep themselves safe online.
Geography	India Study: Children will look at a case study of India. They will develop their map skills as well as learning about the education, work and daily life of people in a range of different locations across India. Children will make comparisons between life in India and life at home inc. religious and cultural.
History	The Stone Age: Children will learn about the chronology of the Stone Age within the wider historical context. They will explore daily life for people and the importance of stone.
RE	Hinduism: Linking to our Geography topic on India, children will explore Hinduism. As part of this, they will be look at different Hindu Gods and how Hindus worship inc. key festivals and celebrations.
Music	Sounds —Children will explore sound using melodies and scales and follow the pitch movement of the melody in a song. They will also be involved in performing in a production based on the Stone Age.
Art	Surrealism: Children will compare the work of surrealist artists such as Rene Magritte and Salvador Dali producing their own surrealist art. Painting: Using painting techniques to create light and dark using tints and shades.
DT	Textiles: Children will create and design a book fastening. Food: Children will adapt an existing recipe.
PE	Games: Children will improve catching and throwing skills and create their own team games. Swimming: Children will swim once a week this term at Goldenstones.
PSHE/RSE	Keeping safe: Children will learn to manage risks. Rights and responsibilities: Children will learn how they can make a difference in the world.

Homework



MATHS

Maths homework will go home on a **Friday** reinforcing topics learned during the week.

Homework should be handed in on **Wednesday** please.



ENGLISH

English homework will go home on a Friday reinforcing topics learned during the week.

Homework should be handed in on **Wednesday** please.



SPELLING & TIMES TABLES

Spellings will be sent home each Friday and will be tested the following Friday.

There will be a variety of spellings relating to strategies being taught.

Times tables will be tested weekly.



READING

Regular reading at home is important. Children should be reading at least 3 times a week for 10 minutes to an adult.

Reading records and reading books must be in school every day to ensure we can monitor how regularly your child is reading in and out of school.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- ♦ PE kit of dark blue shorts, white polo shirt and trainers/daps of the right fit need to be in school all week please. (Tracksuit bottoms and trainers are recommended for outdoor PE.)
- ♦ A collective act of worship will take place every day. This will consist of Bible stories, songs and prayers.
- ♦ Homework will be given out on a Friday and is to be returned completed on following Wednesday.
- ♦ Please could all belongings be clearly named.

Collective worship:

- ♦ We will be focusing on the key themes of feelings and sharing, communication, thinking ahead and endings.