

LEXDEN PRIMARY YEAR 4

Welcome back!

Welcome back and happy new year! Our topic for the first half term will be 'Travel'. In this topic, we will be looking at different modes of transport, travel around the UK and it's cities and counties as well as using persuasive techniques to sell transportation. This will then link into our ICT/English lessons of creating an advert using digital media. For the second half term, we will 'Spring into Life' and will be spending our afternoons investigating living things and their habitats in Science as well as creating bee hive inspired tessellation designs in art. This half term will also be busy spent rehearsing for our Y3 & 4 production of the 'The Bee Musical' which we

PE

Premier Sports will be continuing to work closely with the school this term on a Tuesday. In the other lesson, the children will be developing their team skills in Netball as well as their shooting, passing and tactics. PE will normally be on a Tuesday and Thursday but the children will need appropriate PE kits in school every day, suitable for both indoors and outside.

look forward to you coming and watching. *Please be aware that the date for this has been moved to Thursday 28th March 2019.*

OTHER AREAS OF THE CURRICULUM

Guided Reading: Our texts for this half term will be from other cultures. We will improve our retrieval, inference, predicting and vocabulary through these texts week by week.

Computing: We are working through a program of study aimed at developing children's knowledge of coding, algorithms and problem solving. Also, this term we will be using the ipad movie software to create adverts.

Geography: This term we will be looking at the UK and it's geography. We will be finding cities and counties on maps. We will also be learning about some key physical and human geographical points of interest in the UK.

RE: This term's focus will be Christianity where we will explore the life of Jesus and his last week around Easter.

PSHE: This term we will be looking at valuing differences in others and feelings.

MFL: We will be learning different modes of transport in French and using this new vocabulary to practice our reading, writing, speaking and listening skills.

Music: We will be learning the songs for our production of 'The Bee Musical' this term.

Art: In Art, we will be looking at using tessellation to create patterns and designs.

Dates this term

Horrible History Quiz: 17th January

Internet Safety Day: 5th February

Accolades: 15th February

Parents Consultations: 19th & 20th March

Y3 & 4 production: 28th March

End of term accolades: 5th April

ENGLISH AND MATHS

In English, we will be learning how to write persuasively, create advert scripts and write stories. All these text types will link with our topics so we can use our learning to support our writing. We will understand what features these texts need, learn new grammar techniques to make our writing interesting and then draft and edit our own pieces of work.

In Maths, we will be continuing to develop our formal methods for multiplication and division as well as learning our times tables up to 12 x 12. We will then continue our learning into fractions and decimals. We will be following the maths mastery guidance developing fluency as well as problem solving and reasoning skills.

Science

Science this term will be linked to living things and their habitats. We will be investigating how different living things can be grouped and use classification keys to help group and identify a range of different living things. Also, we will explore the idea that environments can change and how this might pose a risk to living things.