



Years 3 Spring 2 Newsletter 2024

We have a busy half-term ahead with Easter just around the corner! Here are some details of our topics this half term.

Literacy

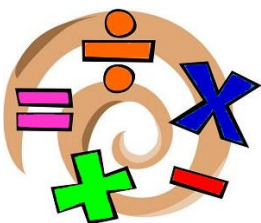
To start the half term, we will be studying a book called *Cloud Tea Monkeys* which is about a girl called Tashi who works on a tea plantation. We will be looking to improve our use of prepositions, past and present tense and conjunctions whilst reading this book. Our other book is called *The Black dog*. This story is about a "black dog" that appears outside the Hope family home, each family member exaggerates its size—from a tiger to a T-Rex—due to fear. Only the youngest, Small, faces it directly, causing the dog to shrink to a normal size and become a beloved pet.



Last term many of the children worked very hard on improving their reading. Please help your child continue to make good progress by hearing them read regularly at night and asking them questions about their stories.

Lots of children are making great progress with the 'Elite Eight' reading challenge, well done!

Numeracy



In numeracy we will be increasing our knowledge of a length and perimeter and we will start learning about fractions which will include unit, non-unit and equivalent fractions. We will also be developing our reasoning and maths vocabulary. The children will also work on their 8x table.

Science – Rocks

We will investigate rocks and the different forms, classification and uses. This will include learning about sedimentary, igneous and metamorphic rocks.

Geography – Human and physical features.

We will investigate how and why the world has different human and physical features. The children will research the different features using the internet and will then write a report about them using the information they have gathered. We will also be comparing the features that are present in the U.K and South America.



Art

We will be learning about the history of Faberge eggs and we will be creating a Faberge egg sculpture.

PSHE

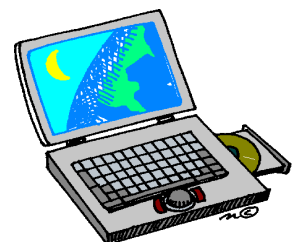
We will explore the theme of 'Healthy me' to understand how exercise affects the body and why the heart and lungs are such important organs. We will also be looking at 'Keeping Safe' by looking at some strategies we could use to keep safe as we get older.

RE

The children will be studying how festivals and family show what matters to the Jewish community.



ICT



This half term we will be developing our programming skills and learning about data and Information including branching databases.