



Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! I hope you all had a lovely Christmas and enjoyed the break. This newsletter will outline your child's learning over the Spring term.

Our topic for terms 3 and 4 is '**American Dream**' which will provide a wealth of learning opportunities. The children will have opportunities to explore the different geographical landscapes in America as well as learning about American history. The children will even have a chance to design and make their own plane and, of course, test it out!

In literacy, we start the term carrying on with our book '**The princess and the white bear king**'. This text is rich with exciting vocabulary and has really improved the children's imagination in their writing. We will continue to engage children with carefully selected books in a range of **reading, writing, speaking and listening** activities. This will also give them the opportunity to use and apply their phonics and SPaG (spelling, punctuation and grammar) knowledge throughout their writing.

In maths we will be start by progressing our number knowledge by looking at **place value** within numbers. We will then move on to **addition, subtraction, multiplication and division** before spending some time working on **fractions**.

In Science, we will spend this term looking at '**living things and their habitats**'. We will venture outside to explore what living things are around us and what habitats they live in.

We will be continuing to follow Kent Agreed Syllabus (KAS) for R.E. In terms 3 and 4, our key questions to explore are 'What is the good news Jesus brings?' and 'Why does Easter matter to Christians?'

PE lessons will continue to be on **Tuesdays** and **Fridays**. Please ensure your child has their full PE kit with them on both days. This term, PE lessons will focus on gymnastics. If your child wears earrings, they will need to be taken out for PE and long hair should be tied back.

I look forward to working with you throughout the next term. If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

Miss Leneghan

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