

Fox Class

Our new learning theme for this half term is...

Going with the flow?

Our focus will be Geography. We will be learning to identify processes in the water cycle, describe the courses of a river and discussing different ways rivers are used. We will also highlight some of the problems relating to rivers. Most of our learning will be linked to the main theme although some subjects e.g. maths, will continue to be taught separately.

In **English**, we will begin with poetry, studying Valerie Bloom's poems about rivers. Then, we will be reading the classic story *The Wind in the Willows* by Kenneth Grahame. The book tells the tale of the well-known characters Mole, Ratty, Badger and Mr Toad. We will be using the book to support our writing of biographies and playscripts.

In **Maths** this term, we will complete our learning about money, before moving on to time. Our other themes for the final term of Year 4 will be shape, statistics and finishing with position / direction.

Reminders:

Please ensure your child brings their reading book to school every day so that they have the opportunity to read independently or with an adult.

This term, we will still have **PE on Tuesdays and Fridays**. Your child needs to arrive at school in their PE kit.

As part of our healthy eating approach, we do not allow squash or flavoured water in school, so please make sure your child has only water in their bottle. If your child would like a snack at break time, we ask that you send them to school with fresh fruit or vegetables to help encourage a healthy diet.



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In **Science** we are investigating electricity. We will be learning about electrical circuits and testing materials' ability to conduct electricity.

In **Art** we will be using applique to create a picture inspired by *The Oxbow* by Thomas Cole. *Repetition in games* is our theme in **Computing**.

How to support your child at home:

Sharing stories and listening to your child read can really help further their learning at home. I completely understand that life can be busy, but 10 minutes a day can make a big difference.

Your child should also be logging onto Times Tables Rockstars as often as possible to work on their recall of the times tables. There are also plenty of games and activities available on Purple Mash. If you need any help logging in with these please let me know.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to come and speak to one of the school staff. Thank you in advance for your support.

Links to previous learning...

Our theme will allow us to build on our previous scientific and geographical knowledge of the water cycle and the seaside.

Dates for your diary:

Multiplication Tables Check: 2nd – 13th June

Stour River Trust visit: July date tbc

Last Day of Term: Tuesday 22nd July