### Dates for your diary:

January 10th - Orwell Home-clothes day

February 11th - Bronze MoH Walk

March 4th - Shrove Tuesday

March 5th - Ash Wednesday

March 6th - World Book Day

April 2nd - LKS2 Play

#### English

We are looking at a Narrative, wordless story called 'Journeys' by Aaron Becker. The book looks at a child's journey through emotions as she travels through a fictional world. The children will use writing features such as dialogue, metaphors, prepositions, similes and Year 4 will also include pathetic fallacy (giving emotion to something non-human, e.g. angry storms).

The children are moving towards using complex sentences in their writing, including the use of conjunctions, commas and parentheses.

#### Maths

Year 3; We are learning what equal groups are focusing on 2s, 3s, 4s, 5s, 8s and 10s. If your children know these, please continue through to the 6s, 7s and 9s.

We will be using problem-solving and reasoning skills to answers questions on multiplication, using 'because' and showing their working-out.

Year 4: We are learning how to multiply 2 and 3 digit numbers, as well as looking factors and factor pairs, e.g. Factors of 12 are 1,2,3,4,6,12, factor pairs are 1x12, 2x6 etc.

We will also be looking at short division strategies.

If you have any questions at all, please get in touch via the class emails below:

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# PE

For our PE sessions, we are learning lacrosse, dodgeball and dance (indoors). Key skills that children will develop are teamwork, hand-eye coordination, using space, attacking and defending. Our dance will be linked to our LKS2 play which we will perform at the end of Spring 2. PE Days

Cowell: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday
Coelho: Monday, Thursday, Friday
Pilkey: Monday, Thursday, Friday



# <u>RE</u>

Our new unit focuses on Christianity. The children will explore the unique features of a church and discuss their significance, while considering the question, "How and why do people argue that some places can be spiritual?" This will help them reflect on what makes certain places special or sacred to different people.

## **Homework opportunities**

Please have a look at our Optional Homework grid.

#### Learning Means the World - Our Wider Curriculum

Our new unit looks at Law and Order in the UK and across the world. We will explore what makes a good leader, why leadership is important, and the roles leaders play. We learn how communities organise and make decisions, focusing on democracy and its local and national examples. Additionally, we examine the importance of rules and reflect on justice, rights, and responsibilities in personal and global contexts.

In Computing, we are learning to create 3D worlds in scratch and identify and use selection effectively. We explore how to apply selection to develop game features, including creating game endings and looking at how to make it more dynamic and engaging.

In Music pupils will explore note values and use tools like Lego to understand the concept of duration, time, and metre. They will learn basic notation and will compose and perform rhythmic patterns. Children will develop listening skills to maintain a steady beat, respond to tempo changes, and collaborate effectively in groups.

## Reminders:

Spelling homework is on Edshed, as well as in green books. Reading books should be changed by the children as and when needed. TTRockstars is still the best way to practise for the Year 4 Times Table check assessments which will happen in June.

Other apps include: Squeebles for times tables, Doodle maths and White Rose 1-minute maths app.