

Term 3 Curriculum Newsletter: Year 4








<p>Term 3 Topic: River deep, mountain high</p>	
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Dear Parents / Carers

This term our topic is 'River deep, mountain high'. It is a geography focus, where the children will be learning to describe features of rivers, as well as locate rivers in the UK and around the world. We will also focus on mountain regions in the world and the Three Peaks Challenge, where the children will plan their own route. We will also study the water cycle and locate the equator and main tropics of the world. Alongside this Curriculum Newsletter, your children will bring home this term's Knowledge Organiser, which contains key knowledge, dates, figures and vocabulary related to their topic work that the children should learn, as part of homework, by the end of the term when they will take their 'end of topic quizzes'.

Focus on Curriculum

Below outlines some of the exciting things your child will learn about and experience this term, through the different curriculum areas.

<p>Science</p> 	<p>States of Matter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Compare and group materials as solids, liquids or gases ● Describe solids, liquids and gases ● Water cycle
<p>Geography</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Describe features of rivers ● Locate rivers in the UK and the world ● Understand the water cycle ● Mountain regions in the UK and the world ● Locate equator and tropics
<p>Music</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Stop! (A song/rap about bullying) with a focus on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Pulse ○ Rhythm ○ Singing in unison ○ Composing lyrics
<p>Languages</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Les forms (shapes)
<p>PSHE (SCARF)</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Keeping myself safe
<p>Physical Education</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Monday – netball ● Thursday (Rowan), Friday (Lime), - hockey
<p>Computing</p> 	<p>Spreadsheets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Finding averages and formatting cells ● Add a formula to cells

Signposts to Learning

We know that you will be keen to support your children with their learning. Below are some suggested books and websites, which can help.

Websites
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Times Table Rock Stars• Top Marks
Books
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A River – Marc Martin• Once Upon A Raindrop – James Carter• Mountains of the world – Dieter Braun

Visits/ Enrichment Experiences

Homework

- Weekly spellings - sent home on a **Friday** and tested on a **Wednesday**.
- Reading 3-5 times each week recorded in the Reading Diary and activity completed - sent home on a **Friday** and returned on a **Wednesday** the following week.
- Pre-reading comprehension text to be shared at home. This will be sent home on a **Friday** and completed in class the following week.
- Maths activities will be set via Seesaw every week on a **Friday**. This needs to be completed by **Wednesday** the following week.

As you can see, this term will bring many exciting learning opportunities! If you do have any questions, please feel free to contact us through the family messaging service on the Seesaw app.

Thanks for your continued support,

Mr McArtney (Lime Class)

Mrs Winchcombe and Mrs Southon (Rowan Class)