



27th April 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

We hope you enjoyed our performance of the 'Rocking Romans', it was a great opportunity for us to show all that we have learnt as part of our topic. Now that we have all had a restful Easter break we are ready to bring our Summer term with some deep Sea exploration in our new topic Blue Abyss.

We'll be diving to the bottom of the oceans to discover the fish and other animals that lurk in the depths. In science, we will be learning about the different animal groups and the food chains they are part of. We will also learn about the different layers in the oceans. As Geographers, we will be identifying the positions and significance of lines of latitude, longitude and learning the terms equator, northern hemisphere, southern hemisphere, the tropics of Cancer and Capricorn, Arctic and Antarctic circle, prime/Greenwich meridian.

Our literacy work will also be linked to our topic work. We are starting off with learning about metaphors and similes and then using these to create poems about the sea. As we learn about coral reefs, we will be creating fact pages. We will also look into endangered species, using our computing skills to create PowerPoints to present information on these. Handwriting is continuing to be a focus as we aim to use neat, joined up writing ready to use handwriting pens.

During the Summer term, we will revisit the four number operations and applying these to solving problems involving money and measures. We are starting with our addition and subtraction and will then move on to multiplication and division. We will then use these skills to work on fractions.

We are very lucky this term to have Bloxham School coaches working with our classes this term to help develop our hockey skills. We will also be doing gymnastics work in the hall on Thursdays focusing on rolling, travelling and jumping, creating a gymnastic sequence to perform in front of the class.

Our Art this term will start by observing fine details of shells and looking at the colourful work of J. Vincent Scarpace. Then we are looking at form and sculpture and using our learning of sea-life to create 3D creatures, which we hope to decorate in lively colour.

We are also very fortunate to have the opportunity to learn to play the violin with Ms Bourne-Taylor. I look forward to see how the children's skills develop over the coming weeks.

In RE, we will continue to develop our understanding of Hinduism by learning more about the Hindu belief that there is one God with many different aspects. We will also gain a better understanding of how Hindus use deities at home and in temples.

USEFUL INFORMATION

This term we will have P.E on Thursdays and Friday. Please ensure your child has appropriate P.E. kit in school that can be used indoor or out.

Homework will now be set on Wednesdays and expected back in the following Tuesday. Please support with homework if needed and with hearing your child read as often as possible.

Please feel free to catch me at the start or end of the day if you have any questions or concerns. Alternately, feel free to organise an appointment to meet with me through the school office.

Kind regards

Nadia Gosling

'Love one another as I have loved you'

John 13:34-35

