



# Term 2 in Kingfishers, Woodpeckers and Herons

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## Mathematics

Both Year 3 and Year 4 will be exploring multiplication and division this term. Year 3 will be starting this term by learning to subtract with renaming and year 4 will start by looking at word problems.

Every day, children in Year 3 and 4 have a dedicated times table lesson. More information about how we teach times tables is available on our school website.

## English

In English this term, we will be using our class book 'Pugs of the Frozen North' to help us write an explanation text.

Later on, in the term, we will be writing our own stories involving a quest.

We will continue to have a weekly author hour session.

The children have been assessed and will either continue with Read, Write Inc (RWI) phonics or they will move to RWI spellings.

Children in both groups will have spellings to practice and learn each week.

## Guided Reading

This term will be reading 'Pugs of the Frozen North' by Philip Reeve and Sarah McIntyre. It tells the story of a young boy who suddenly finds himself stranded with his 66 pugs in the frozen north. With a young girl's help, they compete in race to win their hearts desire.

Within our Guided Reading sessions, we will be focus on the content domains of reading such as retrieval, inference, summarising and predicting.

All children have been assessed and have a reading book which is sent home. Children are allowed to bring in books to read from home during their reading for pleasure time.

## Geography

Our Science focus this term will be Italy. We will be learning about where Italy is and the physical geography of the country.

We will also be learning about the importance of art in Italian culture.

By the end of the unit, we will be able to create a tourist information booklet about Italy. This will include diagrams of mountains and three different types volcanoes including Pompeii.

## PE

This term, we will be focusing on social skills within our PE sessions using Real PE. This will include encouraging others, showing and telling others about our ideas and also organising roles and responsibilities.

Woodpeckers have PE on a Thursday and Friday.  
Kingfishers have PE on a Wednesday and Friday  
Heron have PE on a Tuesday and Thursday  
Please ensure children arrive to school in correct PE kit. PE will be outside.

## Italian

We will have a weekly Italian lesson where we will continue to develop our language skills.

## RE

The children will be continuing to learn about Hinduism through 'The Story of Diwali' by Malachy Doyle.

## PSHE

Every term, we will start with a PSHE unit. We will be following the JIGSAW scheme of work. Our first unit is called 'Celebrating Difference.'

## Music

This term we will be listening to and composing music and dances inspired by 'The Nutcracker' by Tchaikovsky. We will be following a unit of work from BBC Ten Pieces.