

# Indigo's Curriculum Newsletter

## Summer 2023







This half term's big question is - What is the worldwide church? We will be thinking about different denominations; service content and how culture may influence services and how the church serves the community and society. Lessons will also focus on the accessibility of the Bible worldwide, including language translations.



### Maths

Throughout this term we will be looking at the relationship between percentages, fractions and decimals, area and perimeter, place value, the four operations and the reasoning side of these topics.

### English and Reading.

This term we will be using the texts, 'Where the Forest Meets the Sea' by Jeannie Baker & '100 facts – Rain forests' by Miles Kelly. This term we will be writing a non-chronological report.

In our guided reading sessions, we will be reading 'Fantastically Great Women Who Saved the Planet', by Kate Pankhurst.

### **Spelling**

We are continuing to follow the whole school spelling programme – Pathway to Spelling, there will be four spelling lessons a week alongside our weekly spelling test. Each term a spelling overview will be sent home and tests will be every Friday.



### **Science**

Living Things is the title of our science unit for this coming half term, we will be studying insects and their importance to the environment, classification or living things eg vertebrates and invertebrates.



### IT

This half term we are expanding our knowledge on Coding, the Year 4 children will be focusing on repetition and loops whereas the Year 5 children will be focusing on random numbers and simulations.



### **Spanish**

Our topic in Spanish lessons for this half term is the Vikings.

### Music



We will learn to play a recorder, reading music and playing simple melody.

### Geography

During this half term, earthquakes and volcanoes will be our focus, this topic will also cover the structure of Earth, the cause of earthquakes as well as volcanoes and their locations throughout the world.



### **PSE**



'Being my Best' is the title of this term's unit. Children will be learning about identifying strengths and talents within themselves, the importance health and exercise, making responsible choices - not just for themselves as humans but for the environment too. We will also be covering some basic first aid.

### Art



We will be thinking about art linked with our upcoming history topic of Crime and Punishment, we will be looking at artists such as Van Gogh and Alberto Giacometti, looking at figure drawing and proportions which will involve drawing painting and modelling.

# PHYSICAL EDUCATION

### PE

Our PE lessons for this term will be taken by the specialist teachers ASM on a Monday and Tuesday. We will be improving our athletic skills.

### General information

PE days: Monday and Tuesday, please come in full School PE kit.

<u>Homework:</u> A piece of English and Maths will be set each week on a Friday, this may be set using Education City. Homework needs to be completed and submitted by the following Wednesday.

A spelling overview will be sent for the half term, spelling test will be every Friday.

<u>Home reading:</u> Reading Diaries will be collected in every Friday. Each week, we ask for 5 signatures to be recorded in the diary.

If you have any questions, please come and chat to us or email me at- akirk@tmpl.stalls.sch.uk

Many thanks for all your help and support for the upcoming term.