

Geography

The children will be learning all about rivers. We will be exploring the features of a river, the journey of a river from source to mouth, world rivers and what they are used for. We will also explore topographic features and developing our map work skills. There will be various opportunities for fieldwork and to learn first hand about these features.

Maths

During the Summer term, we will be learning about money, time, shape statistics and position and direction. The Year 4 children will also look at decimals.

This term the MTC will be taking place for the Year 4 children.

Music

We will be learning about the Composer 'Handel' and his compositions 'Water Music'.

The children will then have a go at creating their own compositions inspired by these pieces.

RE

In RE, we are learning about journeys throughout lives and how these are viewed in different religions. After half term, we will focus on pilgrimages.

Do we shape the course of a river or does it shape us?

Hook – On the first week back we will be visiting Ilam Hall. This provides the children with a wealth of first-hand experience and knowledge that we will use throughout the enquiry.

During the second half term, we will be conducting some fieldwork by visiting the River Trent.



Art and D&T

In Art, we will be learning about sculpting techniques. We will be focusing on Salvador Dali and surrealism. The children will use clay and their sculpting techniques to create a 'melting clock' inspired by the piece 'The Persistence of Memory'.

In D&T, the children will create lighthouses using electrical circuits. They will learn how to apply scientific knowledge of electrical systems to their structural or mechanical product (e.g. series circuits incorporating switches, bulbs, buzzers and motors).

English

The children will begin by looking at the story 'The Rhythm of the Rain'. They will use this text to write their own setting descriptions.

We will then write non-chronological reports to inform about rivers.

After half term, we will be writing an explanation text about river systems. This is inspired by 'Once Upon a Raindrop'.

We will then write a range of poems. Calligrams, Kennings, Haikus and Concrete poems.

PE

This term we will be swimming for the first 9 weeks and then we will be doing Qwik Cricket.

With Mr Bingley they will be doing athletics and outdoor adventurous activities.

Science

Throughout Summer, we will be learning about forces and electricity. We will look at how objects move on different surfaces and the effect of friction, magnets and pulleys. After half term, we will be exploring electricity including: circuits, switches, cells, buzzers, conductors and insulators.

Learning for Life

Through our Learning for Life sessions, we will be learning about 'Being my Best' and 'Growing and Changing'.

Computing

In Computing, the children will be learning about 'Logo' on PurpleMash and animation. After half term, they will be learning how to effectively search on a search engine and learn how to identify the parts of a computer.