

Topic Learning Letter

Year Four

Topic	This term we will be learning about Magical Worlds in Summer 1 and about Thrill Seekers in Summer 2.
Reading	In Summer 1, we will be using <i>The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe</i> as our key text. In Summer 2, we will be using <i>The Firework Maker's Daughter</i> as our key text.
Launch and Land	We are going to launch our Magical Worlds topic by constructing a class map of Saffron Walden. For our land, we will be making a sculpture gallery for our Magical World. We are going to launch our Thrill Seekers topic by visiting our local town and completing fieldwork. For our land, we are building a fairground using electrical circuits.
Science	In Summer 1, we explore living things and their habitats. We will learn that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things. In Summer 2, we will be learning all about electricity in the build-up to children making their fairground attraction.
Geography	In Summer 1, we will be learning about how to read and use maps, including using grid references. In Summer 2, we will be looking at the geography of our local area and surveying the views of local residents.
Art / Design and Technology	In Summer 1, we will be creating sculptures inspired by Alexander Calder. In Summer 2, we will be building a working model of a fairground ride.
Music	Music this term will focus on creating and singing woodland riddles.
PSHE	Our whole school focus in PSHE is Relationships (Summer 1) and Changing Me (Summer 2). During Summer 2, we will be covering puberty and you will receive a letter on this in due course.
RE	Our RE focus in Summer 1 is looking at diversity in Christianity and during Summer 2 the focus is on Philosophy and what it means to sacrifice.
Computing	In Summer 1, we will be working with digital images. In Summer 2, we will be looking at computing systems and networks.
Reminders	In Summer 1, we will have P.E. on Monday and Friday. Please make sure your children are wearing appropriate P.E. kit on these days. In Summer 2, we will be swimming on Mondays. We will continue to have P.E. on Fridays, too.

If you have any questions or concerns at all, please talk to one of the Year Four Team.