



Eastbury Farm Primary School

Summer Term 2024 - Curriculum Newsletter



Years 3 & 4

**We hope you have had a lovely and restful break.
We are looking forward to an exciting Summer Term.**

PE Lessons will be on the following days. Please ensure your children bring their outdoor PE kit this term:

Pine: Monday afternoon and Tuesday afternoon

Oak: Monday afternoon and Thursday afternoon

Maple: Thursday afternoon and Friday afternoon (swimming)

Swimming:

This term Maple class will be going swimming on Friday afternoons.

Bottles and Fruit

Please ensure that your child brings a bottle of water to school every day in a reusable, transparent plastic bottle. Your child may also bring a snack of fruit or veg for breaktime. If bringing a snack, please ensure they are healthy and nut free.

In these key areas, we will be learning:

English:

During the first half term we will explore a range of playscripts and identifying the features of them before culminating in writing our own short play. We will then focus on Stories from other Cultures where we will immerse ourselves in a range of Aboriginal stories. This will then allow us to further enhance our vocabulary. During the second half term, we will learn about the key features of explanation texts where we will write on explanation text on mummification.

Throughout each of these units we will focus on developing our spelling, punctuation and grammar.

Mathematics:

The children will continue to build on previous learning where they will continue to develop, mental and written methods of the four operations. There will be a key focus on the methods of written multiplication and division, as well as developing the children's understanding fractions and decimals Throughout this term, we will be applying our learning to problem solving and encouraging the children to reason mathematically.



The Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check

In June, the children in Year 4 will sit a national statutory multiplication test. This is an online test and focuses on answering questions on the times tables up to 12 x 12 accurately and at speed. The children will be asked 25 questions on the times tables and are given six seconds per question, with a three second rest between questions.

Home Learning

In Year 3&4, we will send home:

- Daily Reading
- English - Reading comprehension
- Weekly Spelling Home Learning
- Maths Home Learning online (www.mymaths.com)

Science: Animals including Humans. The children will learn to describe the simple functions of the basic parts of the digestive system in humans. Identify the different types of teeth in humans and their simple functions and in addition to this construct and interpret a variety of food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey.



Computing: Photo Editing. The children will learn the skills of changing digital images for a purpose, and discuss when it is ethical.

Computer Programming: The children look at the difference between count-controlled and infinite loops, and use their knowledge to modify existing animations and games using repetition.



History: Ancient Egypt. They will learn about some of the Pharaohs and the development of the pyramids, as well as the mythology that surrounded this early civilization.

Geography: Rainforests (Tropics) The children will take a trek into the depths of the rainforest. They will discover what rainforests are, what they are like and who lives in rainforests, including animals, plants and indigenous people.

RE: Justice and Fairness. The children will explore faith stories that illustrate justice and fairness and learn about making choices on what is right and what is wrong.

Art & Design: Egyptian Art. They will improve our art and design techniques by exploring Egyptian art forms such as hieroglyphics and canopic jars.



Design & Technology: Exotic Fruit Smoothies The children will explore how to cut and chop different exotic fruits. They will then design and create their own smoothie.

Music: Cornets: Herts Music Service will continue to teach the children how to play the trombone. This term Oak and Pine will have the opportunity to learn how to play.

Blackbird. The children will listen and appraise Blackbird and other songs by the Beatles. They will then learn to play and perform in solo and ensemble contexts, using their voices and playing musical instruments with increasing accuracy, fluency, control and expression.

Reflect, Rewind, Replay. The children will listen and appraise western classical music focusing on rhythm and pitch.

PE: Cool Core Fitness. This focuses on Pilates, where the children will improve their balance and co-ordination through performing basic Pilates moves.

Nimble Nets. The children will learn how to hold a racket and serve a ball building up to playing their own game of tennis.

Fitness Frenzy. They will learn how to develop cool core moves through aerobics, boxercise using a range of balancing techniques.

Young Olympians. The children will learn a range of athletic skills.

PSHE: Relationships. We will explore how it feels to belong to a range of different relationships.

Growing Up. The children will learn about some of the changes to their body.

Spanish: The children will learn the different names of fruit; understanding singular and plural items affect the verb. They will also learn to write the days of the week and the months of the year.