

# Year 3/4

## Summer Curriculum Newsletter 2026

Welcome back, we hope you and your family have had a lovely Easter break.

### Topic: ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS

This summer term, our topic will be a Geography and Science focus. The children will be studying local plants and animals in their habitats. Teesside Wildlife Trust will be working with the children across the term making minibeast hotels, bird feeders and taking them on a scavenger hunt.

We will also focus on our wider environment looking at the effects of climate change. We will be taking a journey along a river, learning about its key features and linking it to the water cycle.



### **RE**

In RE, we will be focusing on the Gospels and exploring the parables of Jesus and his teaching behind them.

### **PE**

PE sessions will continue to take place on Monday and Wednesday afternoons. We appreciate your continued support in ensuring that children come to school with the correct PE kit. The required PE kit consists of navy or black shorts, joggers or leggings, a red t-shirt, a tracksuit top or sweatshirt, and trainers. As the weather improves and becomes warmer, PE sessions will be held outdoors whenever possible. You may wish to provide a sun hat and suncream this can be kept in their bag.

Please ensure that all items of your child's uniform are clearly labelled with their name. This simple step will help us to return any lost clothing quickly.

### **Reading**

Each child will be sent home with a Year 3/4 reading genre book. In addition to this, they will

have the chance to visit the school library, allowing them to borrow a book of their choice.

You do not need to write a comment every time your child reads, but please ensure that you sign and date their reading record each time. This simple step will help your child to advance through the Whole School Reading Chart, where they can earn rewards for their efforts and achievements.

### Homework

Spellings will continue to be handed out on a Monday and spelling rules will be taught throughout the week ready to be tested on a Friday.

Maths homework will be set on a **Tuesday** and is expected to be returned by **Thursday** that week.

Year 4 pupils will be taking part in the national 'Multiplication Tables Check' test in June. As we approach the date of the assessment, we will provide further details to keep you informed about the process and what to expect. This half term, we are making a concerted effort to prepare thoroughly for the test, ensuring that all children are confident with their multiplication tables.

To support your child in their preparation, please encourage regular practice on TTRockstars.

This half term, we will continue with the Reading Homework Menu and after half term we will change it to our topic on Environmental Awareness. Your child can choose an activity from grid, or they can select a homework sheet available from class.

The menus will be handed out on a Friday, and an activity is expected to be returned the following Monday.

Whole school summer dates will be sent out soon and we will keep you up to date across the term via Dojo.

Any queries or problems please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Cole & Miss Foster