

Dear students, parents and carers,

Welcome back to Johanna after a first half term that seemed to be over as quickly as it started! Last term saw us end on the high of our class assembly and I'm sure that enthusiasm and effort will continue over these next six weeks, as we get stuck into this term's theme of Building a Sustainable World.

As ever, please feel free to ask any questions you may have about the learning, school life or how we can help!

Jacob



Theme

The theme for Year 4 this term is 'Building a Sustainable World'.

Taking our ideas from previous terms, we bring it all together in the form of this term's theme, which allows us to investigate the importance of sustainability for our planet, and the part that we can all play in the health of the Earth. This extends across subjects and concludes with our 'Change-Makers' action towards the end of the term.

Personal Development

In personal development this term, we will look to tackle a number of the Oasis Habits, while also exploring themes around equality and human rights. This is particularly topical given both International Women's Day and Human Rights Week fall within this term.



English










Our focus for this term is The Iron Man by Ted Hughes.



As we read this book, we will develop ideas for our own stories, while empathising with its characters, making connections to our own lives and ultimately building an independent narrative where the main character finds themselves lost and meets new people.

Maths

This term is all about fractions and decimals. We looked at fractions together at the end of year 3 and began to refresh our memories last term. This term is all about building on this knowledge and dealing with increasingly difficult mathematical problems. Our final few weeks will see the move to decimals and developing our understanding of this aspect of Maths.

Fractions				Decimals and Percentages			
one	$\frac{1}{1}$	1.00	100%		1		
one-half	$\frac{1}{2}$	0.50	50%		$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	
one-third	$\frac{1}{3}$	0.333	33.3%		$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{3}$
one-fourth	$\frac{1}{4}$	0.25	25%		$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{4}$
one-fifth	$\frac{1}{5}$	0.20	20%		$\frac{1}{5}$	$\frac{1}{5}$	$\frac{1}{5}$
one-sixth	$\frac{1}{6}$	0.166	16.6%		$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$
one-eighth	$\frac{1}{8}$	0.125	12.5%		$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$
one-tenth	$\frac{1}{10}$	0.10	10%		$\frac{1}{10}$	$\frac{1}{10}$	$\frac{1}{10}$
one-twelfth	$\frac{1}{12}$	0.083	8.3%		$\frac{1}{12}$	$\frac{1}{12}$	$\frac{1}{12}$

R.E.

Our R.E. focus this term continues to be Hinduism. As we've now looked at Gods and deities and explored the holy scriptures and religious books, this term looks at the importance of yoga and meditation to Hinduism, and delves deeper into important Hindu holidays like Holi Festival.



P.E.

This term's Physical Education will come under the topics 'Outdoor and Adventurous' and 'Tactical Application'. Sadly, our swimming for this year has come to end until year 5. The children all made excellent progress and seemed to enjoy every minute of it!



Homework

A new Homework Grid went out on the last day of last term. Please make sure you are completing at least one a week. Homework is handed in on Mondays.

This can be done alongside regular SumDog and Times Table Rockstars home learning and their daily reading of at least 10 minutes.

Geography

Geography is one of the subjects that allows us to dive into all matters sustainability this term. We begin by looking at a number of ways that people around the world have been 'Change-Makers' in helping create a more sustainable world, and we end by considering how exactly we can also become Change-Makers through our own actions.



Art and Design

This term focuses on print making in our weekly art lessons. Tying in with our sustainable world theme, there is also the chance for us to create our own art related to the 17 Global Goals, as set out by the United Nations, and International Women's Day-inspired portraits as well.

Dates for Spring 2

Mon 20th Feb	School starts - term 4
Fri 3rd March	Parent evening slips given out
Fri 10th Mar	Deadline for Parent's Eve slips returned to school
Fri 17th Mar	Parent's Eve appointments confirmed
Tues 21st Mar	Y4 Trip to London Roman Amphitheatre
Tues 28th Mar	Parent's Evening for all classes - save the date!
Wed 29th Mar	Y2 & Y4 singing at the Lambeth Music Festival at the Royal Festival Hall
Fri 31st March	Finish for Easter at 3:15pm
EASTER HOLIDAY: Mon 3rd Apr 2023 to Fri 14th Apr 2023	
Mon 17th April	Children return to school

Dear parents/carers,

This term our trip is to **The London Amphitheatre**. We have the exciting opportunity to take part in a discovery of the Amphitheatre, handle some real Roman artefacts and to practice our acting skills like a proper Roman!

Where? London Amphitheatre

When? Tuesday 21st March 2023

What time? Leave 10.30am – Return by 2.30pm.

How? Public transport.

How much? £5

Lunch? Packed lunch.

Please return this slip confirming you have paid £5 via MCAS by Friday 10th March 2023.

Child's name: _____

Class: _____

- **I have paid £5 via MCAS for my child to attend the trip.**
- **I can speak fluent English and would like to accompany the class on this trip.**
- **For FSM children only: I would like my child to be provided with a packed lunch.**

Signed _____

Date _____