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# Lower Key Stage 2 Curriculum Newsletter

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## This Term...

### Year 3 Curriculum

#### **Geography – Rocks, relics and rumbles**

In Geography, the children will learn about the features and characteristics of Earth's layers, including a detailed exploration of volcanic, tectonic and seismic activity. They will learn about the causes and consequences of different natural disasters and be able to identify different types of rocks by their properties.

#### **Art – People and Places**

In Art, children will learn about the genre of figure drawing. They study the figure drawings and urban landscapes of the artist LS Lowry and create artwork in his style to show scenes from their school.

#### **DT- Making It Move**

In DT, the children will learn about cam mechanisms. They experiment with different shaped cams before designing, making and evaluating a child's automaton toy.

### Year 4 Curriculum

#### **Geography – Misty Mountain, Winding River**

In Geography, the children will learn about the characteristics and features of rivers and mountain ranges around the world, including a detailed exploration of the ecosystems and processes that shape them and the land around them. Children will study the human and physical geography of a region of the United Kingdom, a European country, and a region within North or South America.

#### **Science – Grouping and classifying**

In Science the children will learn about grouping living things, known as classification. They study the animal and plant kingdoms and use and create classification keys to identify living things.

#### **DT – Functional and Fancy Fabrics**

In DT, the children will learn about home furnishings and the significant designer William Morris. They learn techniques for decorating fabric, including block printing, hemming and embroidery and use them to design and make a fabric sample.

## Thought of the term...



Be honest and helpful

Self-respect and responsibility

InMAT value: Integrity

## How I can help my child at home.

### Maths

In Term 4, Year 3 will learn about and fractions, mass and capacity and Year 4 will learn about fractions and decimals.

Encourage children to measure the length of a range of items in cms and metres. Split everyday objects into a range of groups and have children work out what fraction it represents.

### English

In Term 4, Year 3 will be writing colourful poetry and non-chronological reports. Year 4 will be writing a Norse myth and a persuasive advert. Read a range of writing of the genres to be studied, discuss features of these types of writing. Create banks of persuasive language and adjectives.

### Dates for the diary.

27th February 5.00-6.00pm- Nurserie Consultation meeting

5th March – Parents' evening

7th March – Parents' evening

7th March – World Book Day – children can dress up if they wish

11th – 15th March – Science Week

20th March 1.30pm Autism Parent workshop.

27th March – Friends Easter Disco Year 3- 5-6pm Year 4 6.15-7.15pm

28th March – Friends Easter bonnet Competition

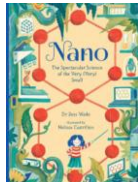
28th March – End of Term 4

15th April- Training day (school closed to pupils)

16th April- school re-opens to pupils 8.40am

2nd May- Polling day- school closed to all pupils (except Year 6- Y4 residential not affected)

## Reading Recommendations – Year 3



## Reading Recommendations – Year 4

