



It's hard to believe we are entering Summer term already; the year is flying by, and our wonderful Violet Base children will soon be leaving us to begin a new adventure. The children are working extremely hard and making fantastic progress, and we have a really busy and exciting term ahead so they can end the school year on a high. SATs are fast approaching and our children are well-prepared, and we can't wait to celebrate with them when they are over with trips, visitors and our end of year festivities.+

Important Dates:

- 11th - 14th May – KS2 SATs
- June – July – High School Transition Days
- 10-12 th June – Nell Bank Residential
- Thursday 11th June – Nell Bank day trip
- 7th July – SATs results released
- 23rd June - KS2 Sports Day in Potternewton Park in the morning
- 14th July – (Tuesday) Parents' evening
- 17th July – Year 6 Prom
- Tuesday 21st July – Graduation and last day of term, school ends at 12:30



Our PE Days:

Monday and Thursday



Our book changing days:

Monday – Levelled reading book



Homework:

Maths – daily
Reading – daily



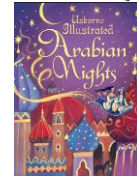
English:

Summer 1 – 1001 Arabian Nights

We will be familiarising ourselves with these infamous stories, learning the themes and conventions that run through them and using these to write the 1002nd story ourselves! These stories always inspire our children and we look forward to reading their brilliant ideas.

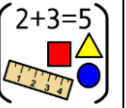
Summer 2 – Wonder

We read this book as part of our preparations for secondary school, and to reflect our ongoing theme of acceptance and celebrating differences. We will write an advice column for somebody starting a new school, and hopefully we will be able to use our own advice soon too.



Maths:

We will begin summer term by consolidating what we have learned so far this year, with a particular focus on fractions, decimals and percentages. We will also be learning how to solve algebraic equations, use co-ordinates to translate, rotate and reflect points on a grid, and learn how to read and interpret a range of graphs including pie charts. As ever, we will learn the key processes involved in these mathematical concepts alongside applying this knowledge to solving a range of reasoning problems.



Science:

Electricity

We began learning about electricity in Year 4, and now we will revisit our previous learning to remind ourselves of the functions of different electrical components. We will also learn how to represent these components using electrical symbols, and use these to create diagrams to demonstrate how to change the brightness of a bulb. We will investigate the electrical properties of different materials then use all of our knowledge to design a board game with a buzzer, inspired by 'Operation'. Summer term is also a really good opportunity for us to remind ourselves of any key scientific concepts that we have explored this year.



History and Geography:

Ancient Islamic Civilisation

For our history topic, we travel to the ancient city of Baghdad. Once, this was the centre of mathematics, art, science and trade, and we love learning about the lasting impact of this city on our lives today, alongside understanding where Islam began.

Rural vs Urban areas

As we are visiting Ilkley when we go on our residential trip to Nell Bank, this gives us the perfect opportunity to discuss the differences between a more rural area than our own urban, inner-city home. We will talk about population density, industry, landscape and infrastructure, as well as the pros and cons of each!



PSHE:

Life Changes

Our PSHE focus this term is on relationships and health education. This will be taught in Summer 2, and will follow the statutory Science and PSHE curriculum.

Our PSHE lessons will also focus on preparing for change, as our children look forward to starting their new schools; we will equip them with the tools necessary to navigate this next important stage in their lives.



PE:

We will be learning a range of athletics skills and techniques this term in both track and field events such as hurdles, long jump and javelin. We are looking forward to competing in Sports Day and cheering each other on! Sportsmanship is a huge part of our PE curriculum and our children are brilliant at providing constructive feedback whilst being supportive and having fun being fit and healthy.



Religious Education:

Forgiveness

We will explore the theme of forgiveness across different religions. Children will learn about the beliefs of others in relation to making mistakes and being forgiven, and will discuss their own opinions and beliefs. They will consider such questions as: is everything forgivable? Must you ask for forgiveness? How can we forgive someone who has upset us? It's an excellent opportunity to practise our oracy skills!



Computing:

Children will continue to build on the coding skills they have learnt. By gradually creating longer and more complex algorithms, we will begin to see how computer games are developed and the pain-staking work that goes into such a process. Alongside this, we will continue to develop the children's awareness of internet safety, teaching them how to navigate the web, including social media, in a way that keeps them safe and happy.



Art:

To accompany our Ancient Islamic Civilisation topic, we will be block printing using patterns inspired by Islamic art. Many of these patterns are very detailed and repetitive, and are created using mathematics – it's very technical but very beautiful! We will learn the techniques of printing multiple colours by creating reliefs, then we hope to create a large piece of art bringing all of our prints together!



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