



12th January 2025

Yellow Class Curriculum – Spring 2025

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to a wonderful and exciting new term. Hopefully, everyone is feeling well-rested after the holidays and raring to go! First, we would like to thank you all for your very generous cards and Christmas gifts, we never expect them but are very grateful to you all.

Here are some details for you about Yellow class this term. These details will also be on the Yellow class page of the school website.

Topic: This term's topic is "Why is the Ocean Blue?" We will be covering the history of Grace Darling and the Titanic along with different fiction and non-fiction texts related to the sea as seen by the book cover pictures above.

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English: we cover different text types such as Fictional stories, some with predictable phrasing; Poetry and Non-fiction; so will include: Setting and character descriptions, labels, diary entries, postcards, captain's log, instructions, dialogue, labels, posters, captions, lists; chronological reports (life-cycles).

Reading remains vitally important and thank you to those of you who consistently support your child's reading at home; it really does support their learning. Reading is much more than reading words on a page; comprehension is essential, as well as being able to summarise and talk about aspects of the plot or characters, together with links to other stories or real life. Please hear your child read aloud often, and support them to record their reviews or opinions every day if possible. Encourage your child to record the books they have read and make a valuable comment about an aspect of the plot, or deduction of a character's viewpoint or reaction, or an opinion about a particular event. Please try to fill in the Reading logs and use the Phoneme booklets to help your child practise all the phonemes/graphemes. Regular practice will help them to progress in both their reading and their writing. Phoneme booklets, reading books and reading records should be taken home and brought back to school **every day**.

Maths: We will continue to develop the children's mathematical skills across the curriculum. Our focus for the Spring Term will be on the following areas:

- Shape (2D and 3D)
- Multiplication and division
- Fractions
- Length and Height



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- Mass, Capacity and Temperature

http://www.over.cambs.sch.uk/website/calculation_methods

Foundation Topics:

In *RE*, we will be learning about Judaism: Why is the Torah such a joy for the Jewish community?

Also, Why does Easter Matter to Christians? In *Science*, we will be learning about Humans, with a focus on health and wellbeing, including the importance of exercise, a healthy diet, hygiene and caring for our teeth. In *History/Geography* we will be looking at events beyond living memory that are significant nationally, especially regarding the Titanic and Grace Darling and relating these to Understanding geographical similarities and differences through studying the human and physical geography of areas of the United Kingdom and China. In the *Computing curriculum*, we will continue to focus on E-safety - to communicate safely when on-line. In addition, we will be finding out about photography using computers, programming using Scratch junior and also continuing using google classroom and chromebooks/ipads; to use technology purposefully to create, organise, store, manipulate and retrieve digital content.

Here are some useful websites for your child find out about our topics.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z8mpfg8/articles/zkg9dxs>

<https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/history/general-history/would-you-have-survived-the-titanic/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UOCSs8JYU5o>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8bTjOtV2H7M>

Please monitor your child's activity on the internet and be vigilant to ensure your child uses their knowledge of e-safety to stay safe. <https://esafetytraining.org/resources/childrens-area/5-7-year-olds/> website also has links to other sites that teaches more about on-line safety.

PE: Mr Herd will teach PE on Monday and Thursday afternoons. We have a 'no tape' policy for earrings so can you please ensure they are removed. Also, make sure that your child has a **named PE kit** in school including tracksuit bottoms, warm top and a change of footwear for PE as well as indoor shorts and T-shirt (especially as most lessons are outside). Occasionally, due to weather or restrictions on use of the hall we have to change days so your child's **PE kit needs to be in school at all times**, especially if your child takes kit home following out of school clubs.

More information can be found on our school website and google classroom, where we hope to share work from our class there too.

Thank you again for your support and we look forward to continuing to work closely and co-operatively with you to maximise your child's school experience.

Yours sincerely,

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