



## **Year 4 CURRICULUM LETTER**

### **Autumn 2025**

#### **Staff:**

*4A- Mrs Hatton, Mrs Mastan, Mrs Desai*

*4B- Mr Chagas, Mrs Desai, Mrs Nanawatty*

*During PPA time, Junior Jam will cover the subject areas of PE, Spanish, Music and Computing.*

*If you wish to contact any member of staff, please send a message via Dojo. Alternatively, you can contact the office to arrange a call back.*

#### **Key information:**

PE- PE will be on Tuesday this half term. Children must have a full school PE kit on, including black pumps or trainers. On all other days, children must wear a full school uniform. Please see the link below for information about school uniforms.

<https://stmatthewspreston.co.uk/parents/uniform>

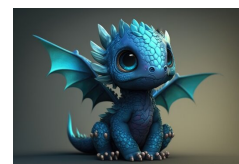
Homework- we expect that all children read daily with an adult as well as learning their spellings and practising their times tables on TTRS. Homework will be put on Dojo each week.

Water bottles- please ensure that your child comes to school every day with a water bottle.

Reading books and diaries- must be brought to school every day.

#### **English**

In our English lessons we will be looking at fantasy stories, film and play scripts and explanation texts. The fantasy stories will be based around the theme of dragons, the children will write a play script from a short video called Sniff and Snatch and the explanation text will be linked to our Science topic all about electricity. The main grammar focus will be on fronted adverbials and



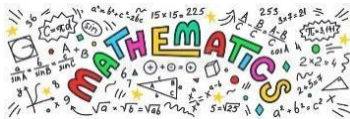


noun phrases and the punctuation focus will be on commas, full stops, capital letters and inverted commas.

## Maths

In our Maths lessons we will be consolidating a variety of skills as follows.

- Count in multiples of 6, 7, 9, 25 and 1000.
- Find 1000 more or less than a given number.
- Recognise the place value of each digit in a four-digit number (thousands, hundreds, tens and ones)
- Order and compare numbers beyond 1000
- Identify, represent and estimate numbers using different representations.
- Round any number to the nearest 10, 100 or 1000
- Solve number and practical problems that involve all of the above and with increasingly large positive numbers.
- Count backwards through zero to include negative numbers.
- Add and subtract numbers with up to 4 digits using the formal written methods of columnar addition and subtraction where appropriate.
- Estimate and use inverse operations to check answers to a calculation.
- Solve addition and subtraction two step problems in contexts, deciding which operations and methods to use and why.



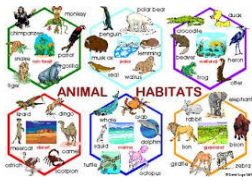
## Religious Education

The RE unit this half term is called 'God, David and the Psalms'. To start the unit, we will introduce David and some of the Bible stories he was involved in to think about the values God wanted all people to have. Using the stories, we will discuss how what we have learnt can have an impact on our daily choices and how we deal with real life situations. Towards the end of the unit we will discover the Psalms from the Bible by listening to them and creating artwork and special boxes to portray the teachings.





## Science



In Science this half term we will be looking at the topic "Living things and their Habitats" The children will be looking at recognising that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways. They will explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment. They will also recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things.

## History

The children will be learning about the Romans. They will look at how the Romans influenced our lives today, where they came from, how they brought law and order to Britain and how they built different settlements to the Anglo Saxons.



## Personal, Social, Health Education

The unit of learning in PSHE this half term is 'Meet Your Brain'. The unit will teach children all about the brain and give them an understanding of how they can look after their minds. They will learn about some of the key parts of the brain and understand what their basic functions



## Art

In Art, children will be studying Roman Mosaics. They have the opportunity to create their own Roman mosaic based on sea creatures using a variety of materials. They will develop their drawing and painting skills.



## Junior Jam and Sports Cool

Spanish– Pupils will learn how to say the time on the hour and minutes past the hour, applying their knowledge to talk about what time they have different school subjects, whilst linking their previous learning of days of the week and months to discuss birthdays and dates.

Music– Pupils will explore musical components by composing music to create a specific mood – this will be done through composing to a short, animated clip. Pupils will create music using graphic scores and create their own graphic scores for others to play. Pupils will be taught to



create keys for their scores and choose to use one or not, so others can interpret their music the correct way or leave their piece open to interpretation. Pupils will compose music on their instruments in pairs, as well as working on whole class compositions.

Computing– During this module the class will be learning all about genre. They will be able to identify different genres throughout different times in history, and some will be able to give key characteristics from those genres. Pupils will also be able to use filter functions correctly to obtain specific samples. Some pupils by the end of the course will be able to mix samples from different genres with success.

PE–Children will be learning all about gymnastics. They will explore a range of different movements and holds and build these into a sequence.

## READING

Please read with your child daily. It doesn't need to be the whole book, 5 to 10 minutes is sufficient. Please sign the reading diary, this lets the teacher know they have been heard at home. We encourage children to read and reread books to become fluent. Parents who support their child with reading at home make more accelerated progress at school. **Ensure reading books are kept in your child's red reading bags**, so we can listen to them read in class daily.

There will be a charge of £10.00 for any lost or damaged reading books.

**PLEASE BE AWARE THAT WE DO NOT ALLOW NUTS IN PACKED LUNCHES AS WE HAVE SEVERAL CHILDREN WITH SEVERE NUT ALLERGIES.**