

## Tropical Birds, Year 3 and 4

Spring Term 1 2019

Flamingo, Macaw and Hummingbird



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## Literacy

Within the spring term we will be researching the features of persuasive writing. We are focusing on using these features to produce adverts both visual and written, culminating in writing a persuasive letter. We are using the visit to Cadbury World as the basis of writing a recount for the last two weeks of the term.

## Maths

This half-term will have a focus on multiplication and division for three weeks, area and beginning to learn about fractions within Year 4.

In Year 3 they are also further developing their multiplication and division skills and moving on to measurement by the end of the first term.

You can support your children by ensuring they are practising their times tables and can recall them in and out of sequence.

## Curriculum foci

**History:** We are learning about the Ancient Mayan's and their culture.

**Art & Design:** We will be investigating packaging, creating their own by using their own artwork for a product and advertisement of the product.

**Computing:** We will be creating our own a web page using HTML and an introduction to coding.

**Science:** Changing state- investigation of solids, liquids and gases reversible/irreversible.

**RE:** We will be exploring the question - Is a Jewish child free to choose how to live?

**PE:** All pupils will do PE on Wednesday afternoon. Year 4 will have an additional PE slot on Thursday

## **Year 3 - Swimming**

From the 17th January until the 28th March, Year 3 will be going swimming. They will need to have a swimming bag with towel and swimwear. Please note that Bermuda shorts and goggles are not allowed. If however there is a medical reason for your child to wear goggles, please send in a letter to support this. Please also make us

aware if your child needs to wear special ear plugs due to medical needs.

On swimming days all year 3 pupils will need a packed lunch or a packed lunch ordered from Chartwells, Year 3 will be having an early lunch and will not have hot dinners on this day.

### **Home Learning**

We are continuing with weekly spellings and times tables which will be sent out on a Friday of each week. Daily reading and comprehension- take 15 minutes daily to listen to your child read. Make sure you ask lots of questions to ensure they fully understand what they are reading.

### **Reminders**

All children need to have their P.E kits in school **every Monday and take them home on Friday.**

Both Flamingo and Macaw will have their library slots on **Tuesday** and Hummingbird will be on **Thursday.**

Make sure children bring in their library books for swapping.

All Tropical Bird Phase will be having PE on a Wednesday.

### **Snacks**

Children may bring in a piece of fruit, some vegetable snacks, dried fruit or a fruit bar to have at morning break but please **do not send in anything which contains nuts** due to allergies within school.

### **Important Information**

Please be aware of the cut off dates for the up and coming trips to Cadbury World, LegoLand and Caldecotte Residential. We have been asked for our final numbers for Cadbury World and Caldecotte therefore please ensure that all deposits are received to ensure that trips can be confirmed by **Friday 18th of January.**

### **Dates**

Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 3 swimming lessons start
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> January	Deposits for trips
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> February	Cadbury World trip
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March 3.30-5.00pm	Parents evening
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> March 5.00-8.00pm	Parents evening
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Hummingbird assembly
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Ladies afternoon
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	KS2 Easter service at St Mary's church
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Flamingo assembly
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Bring a man to school day
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports day
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Legoland trip
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> – Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	Caldecotte Xperience residential visit