



Kestrel

TOUR OF
BRITAIN

Jan 2021

Spring term

Even though assemblies continue to look very different, we will still have values that we are focusing on, in Spring Term A it is humility, followed by belief/faith in Spring Term B

In Computing, we have used the new laptops frequently for our work in History, shortly we will commence with Coding, followed by Online Safety.



This term is going to be an exciting one, we will have the pleasure of going on our own Tour of Great Britain. Within that children will develop knowledge of the UK and its geographical features and will be able to compare regions with their own locality. They will begin to consider how landscapes and geology affect human geography and land use.

They will learn how to use maps of Britain.

Some of the many skills children will learn are: Using a 4 and 8 point compass, plotting their own route on a map, identifying features using satellite images and aerial photographs as well as being confident with OS maps.

In our English lessons, this term we created some fantastic stories with dilemmas, followed by our diary extracts. The children then performed some gripping performance poetry. As we move into 2021 we will begin by completing some Author Studies. This will be followed by Information Texts, which will finally lead into Shape Poetry.

Guided Reading will take place in the classroom daily, alongside this, we strongly recommend children read at home as much as possible, we thank you for your continued support.

We have also been extremely lucky to have Mrs Ping join the Kestrels team, alongside myself and Mrs Mattless. May we take this opportunity to wish all children, parents, families and friends a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



Maths will be taught as an individual subject and will continue to adhere to the curriculum objectives. Throughout the term, lessons will cover many aspects, initially continuing with our work on multiplication and division, followed by fractions and decimals. It is fantastic to see the children earning so many coins in TTRockstars, alongside the Purple Maths, please continue this fantastic effort.

Please accept my apologies for PE, it has had to be changed several times. Hopefully as we move forward, we can keep to the Wednesday and Thursday as planned.

Within Science lessons, we will cover two main focus points: Plants and All living things. Within Plants we will aim to identify and describe the functions of different parts of flowering plants: roots, stem/trunk, leaves and flowers and to explore the requirements of plants for life and growth (air, light, water, nutrients from soil, and room to grow) and how they vary from plant to plant

Within All living things we will begin by recognising that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways and to explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment.