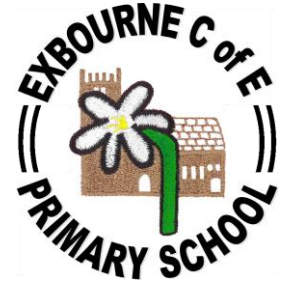




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Re: Curriculum newsletter **Class Two**

Dear Parents/Carers,

The first week of the new term has been extremely successful, especially considering the strange times we find ourselves in.

Please find below details of the Year 3 and 4 learning for the half term.

More information can be found on our website under 'curriculum'.

### **English**

Children will be engaging the stimulus to develop their own writing style whilst working on handwriting, grammar and punctuation. The children will be focusing on the Features of a story and working towards creating their own based on The Barnabus Project by Eric Fan.

All children in the class will be reading regularly individually and in groups. The adults in the room will read stories to the children whilst discussing the plot, characters and events linked to their own experiences.

The children will engage with spelling assessments and focused spelling targets.

### **Maths**

The children will be investigating number and the number system through the use of resources, images and calculations. Their main focus for this half term will be place value, knowing the value of each digit within a number and relating this to a set of objects. Later in the half term children will be exploring addition and subtraction followed by multiplication and division.

More information can be found here: <https://whiterosemaths.com/resources/mixed-age-resources/>

### **Science**

Forces and magnets will be our topic for this half term with the children exploring and experimenting with various forces and magnetic/non-magnetic materials. We will be conducting research, predictions, experiments and drawing our own conclusions.

**Geography** will be taught in depth next half term

### **History**

We will be exploring clothing through time and its effect of British culture. Starting at 1066 right through to modern day we will explore the chronology of the clothing time line and discuss what impact modern inventions have had on the production and wearing of clothes.

### **Music**

Through Music this term we will be learning to listen and appreciate music, both vocal and instrumental. We will also explore the history of music and how this has changed over time.

**PSHE**

We will be exploring how our emotions have changed over the year 2020 and what effect this has had on us. We will be exploring how to deal with these emotions and express them in constructive ways. We will produce a piece of artwork in conjunction with Easterbrook Farm which explores emotion.

**Physical Education**

Our main focus this half term will be our swimming lessons whilst maintaining fitness and healthy lifestyle through mini-PE sessions throughout the week.

**Computing**

Initially, children will focus on internet safety and the use of social networks / communication tools. Following on from this we will learn basic skills when accessing ICT and how to use it to support our learning.

**Art**

Our artist study this half term will be Dame Zandra Rhodes, linking this to textiles in India.

**DT** will be studied in depth in the next half term.

**R.E.**

Our big question for this half term is 'What do Hindu's believe God is like?'. We will be exploring the Hindu Gods and how they compare with the Christian God.

**French**

We will be exploring French greetings and culture as well as classroom instructions.

More information about our curriculum can be found here: <https://www.exbourne-primary.devon.sch.uk/curriculum.html>