

## Exbourne class (KS2) - Termly overview Spring Term 2022 - Mr Waites

### History

In this Autumn term we will be looking at the Middle East, at the establishment of the kingdom of Israel and the Partition of Israel after WW11.

We will be developing our understanding of how the past has a direct impact on the world today and the importance of understanding the historical context of current issues and asking ourselves what we can do to address them.

### Science:

In this Spring term science unit, we will be focussing on Heat and the effect it has on states of matter.

This is where, through research and experimentation we will get to study different materials and substances and how they change from gas to liquid, liquid to solid and solid to liquids. We will look at how different processes can help us change the states of materiel and how these reactions and actions can affect what uses we have for these materials as well as confirming what we know about them in their primary state.

### Art / DT:

Within Art and Design we will be exploring the use of different materials and techniques in Art. We will be looking at an Architectural topic of 'when trees meet buildings' and how we can design buildings with sympathy to the environment and nature.

**English:** This Spring term will see us tackling a modern classic Room 13, a spooky thriller that will be used to demonstrate how language, diction, pace and sentence structure can be used by the author to create tension, suspense and spookiness !!

We will continue to work on embedding our statutory spelling knowledge and handwriting to enhance our writing function and capabilities. Children are also expected to read as much as possible; we expect children to read at least 5 x per week. This is one of the most important things you can do at home, and I will support them with daily reading opportunities in class

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**RE –** In RE this term we will be making sense of belief, the connections between the Bible and Christian ideas and understating what it means for Christians to believe that Jesus is the Messiah. This is an inclusive lesson where we are developing our understanding of the world around us and the peoples that live in it and what faith means to all.

**Numeracy:** Following the winter break, we will be focussing on re-engaging with numeracy skills, multiplication, and mental maths to re-establish our knowledge of numbers and how to use them to ensure this important aspect of the maths curriculum is embedded. Children will follow sequential with age and ability related lessons which will give them opportunities to develop their skills with division, fractions, percentages and measuring. Whilst daily times tables in class will help them grow the children will be expected to practice at home and I appreciate your support in this

### SMSC:

Our SMSC lessons in Spring will focus on the wider world, decision making and choices we make. Child well-being and mental health will focus prominently throughout this year as well as physical health, activity and diet.



Spring term is one where we look to our Year 5's and Year 6's to continue to grow academically, emotionally and socially as we continue our path of learning in Upper KS2. We are fortunate enough to offer some extra-curricular learning with Drama, French and Nature specialists coming in to enhance the school week. Thank you for your on-going support in your child's learning.

### Physical Education:

PE will play a pivotal role in the Spring term; We are pleased to be welcome Mr Pugh who will be leading sessions focused on health and fitness. We will continue to exercise daily, with wake up / shake up exercises throughout the day to stimulate our minds and keep us refreshed and energised.