Year 3/4 Newsletter - Spring Term 2022

<u>Literacy</u>

This term, we will continue to focus on producing handwriting that is of a consistently high standard. We will spend time each day looking at punctuation and grammar fundamentals. Our Literacy topics for this term will be tied to our Commando Joe's missions based on Kira Salak.

<u>Numeracy</u>

This term, we will be continuing our work on multiplication and division, before moving onto fractions and then decimals to finish the term. We will also continue to practice times tables daily.

Science

All of our science lessons will be linked to the Commando Joe's mission the children are currently working on. This term, we will be focusing on sound.



<u>History</u>

In history, the children will learn about the invasions of the Scots and Anglo-Saxons in the 5th century. They will find out where the invading troops came from and where in Britain they managed to settle. They will then go on to investigate how life in Britain changed as a result.



Geography

Our focus for geography will be centred around the current Commando joe mission. We will be studying how land is used and the various physical landscapes of Africa.



Commando Joe's

CO-JO's have a massive emphasis on their RESPECT (Resilience, Empathy, Self-awareness, Positivity, Excellence, Communication and Team-work) framework. Through CO-JO's, children will learn about a number of exciting topics based on amazing characters and aspects of their life stories. Significant heroes/heroines, explorers and adventurers have been identified to support children's understanding of these essential life skills. Each topic will have a set of missions tied to it. Children will work through the week to build up the knowledge they need to carry out these missions.



Computing

This term, we will be using cameras and iPads to take images of the surrounding area and using these images and digital software to edit the photographs.

<u>Art</u>

Our art this half term will be based around Gary Hodges. He is a British artist and publisher much admired internationally for his graphite pencil wildlife art. After the break, we will be focusing on Andy Warhol.



Music

In Music, we will be looking at Bill Withers' song Lean on me. We will break down and analyse the song before composing our own.

Design and Technology

This term, we will be designing rafts capable of transporting lego characters. We will then create the rafts and test our designs.

Physical Education

On Thursdays, children will need to come in their PE kit. This term, the focus will be on Gymnastics.

<u>RE</u>

In RE, children will be looking at the Kingdom of God and what that means for Christians around the world.

French

In french, we will be learning how to introduce ourselves before looking at counting.

Homework

Homework will be set each Friday. This homework will be handed in for marking on Wednesday. Spellings will be tested on a Friday.