

SPRING



MARLEY AUTUMN TERM OVERVIEW

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Pupils and staff recognise the kind and nurturing nature of this school. Pupils feel included and welcome. Staff expertly identify pupils who need support. Behaviour is positive. Developing pupil leadership is given a high priority. Thakeham continues to be a Good school.

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Welcome to Spring term at Thakeham

We are delighted to welcome you to the Spring term at Thakeham, the area's best performing Primary School.

Thakeham is unique in the area. Why? We offer a small school approach but with a big school setting. Our outcomes for pupils are high; our pupils feel safe; and they flourish, often achieving more than they ever thought possible. Our values of CARE (courage, ambition, respect, enjoyment) run through the heart of our school. We say that, 'At Thakeham we CARE'. In short, our pupils are the best and achieve the best!

This short guide will support you with understanding what will be taught in your child's class this term.

If you have questions, please ask the Class Teacher.

Adults involved with Marley Class this term:

Mrs Kosla-Yates: Class Teacher

Miss Merritt: Learning Support Assistant

Mrs Campbell: Office Manager and First Aid

Mrs Elvery: First Aid

Mr McDonald: Headteacher and PPA Cover

Welcome

Thakeham Primary School

Marley Class

Spring Term

‘What’s all the noise
about?’



English

This term our key texts will be:

- The Sound Collector- Robert McGough
- Listen- Evelyn Glennie
- Step into Science- sound
- Can you feel the noise? – Stewart Foster
- The Boy in the Jam Jar- Joyce Dunbar

Our writing will be focused on developing cohesion and a greater understanding of purpose, audience and effectiveness.

We will produce writing to entertain:

- Performance poetry
- Character descriptions

We will also be writing to inform:

- Biography
- Explanation text
- Non-chronological reports

Science

We will be learning about:

- Sound

PE

Monday & Fridays

Spring 1: Basketball & Dance

Spring 2: Racket sports & Tag Rugby

Maths

Our maths topics this term are:

- Multiplication and Division
- Fractions
- Length and perimeter
- Mass and Capacity

We will continue to consolidate and extend our mental maths skills, particularly timetables, and calculation formal methods and strategies. We will be working both conceptually and procedurally.

When learning something new we encourage the children to use the CPA approach.

Concrete - using objects and equipment

Pictorial - represent their thinking using pictures

Abstract - using numbers and symbols to solve calculations

Computing

This term we will be learning:

- How to code and debug programs
- Creating media through photo editing

Our Online Safety Lessons will discuss:

- Online bullying
- Privacy and security

PSHE / RSE -

This term, Marley will be focusing on the theme of 'citizenship'. We will explore topics such as:

- Recycling
- Rules
- Democracy
- Human rights



Other highlights

Design and Technology- We will be looking to embed the concept of: design, make, evaluate. Focusing on using the correct utensils food hygiene to prepare food and combining seasonal ingredients to cook a meal.

Geography- We will be learning about grid references and how to use ordnance survey maps and symbols. We will look at planning a journey to a specific place in England.

Music- We will be developing our performing skills through a range of activities. We will be listening to a range of music and identifying the instruments we hear. Year 3 will continue to build on their skills from the Autumn term and Year 4 will build upon skills taught last year.

Art and Design- We will be exploring the work of Kandinsky in more detail and developing our own artwork inspired by him and music.

RE- We will be developing a greater understanding of Christianity by exploring the beliefs Christians have about Easter and how they express themselves and prepare for this important time of year.

Please remember...

English Homework

- Set on a **Monday** on **Google Classroom**.
- **Reading Diaries** are checked on a **Friday**. Your child should be reading to an adult or independently, at least three times a week. This is imperative to support all the learning we complete in class.

Maths Homework

- Set on a **Monday** on **Google Classroom**.
- TTRockstars, learning multiplications facts is a major part of Lower Key stage 2. Children should be practicing regularly to improve their fluency and confidence in recalling multiplications up to the 12 Times Tables.
- **Homework is due in on Fridays.**
- **Homework club takes place on Thursday lunchtimes.**



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