St. Swithun's: Year 3/4 Curriculum Map - Summer. Topic: Best of British

* A Dragonology Information Book!

* Easter and Pentecost atwork

* Sling Shot Car!

English

In Writing, we will be continuing to explore the writing skills used in various genres including creating non fiction texts. We will be learning about Dragons in order to write an informative piece about a dragon we design. Our grammar focuses will include expanded noun phrases, prepositional phrases, conjunctions and the use of apostrophes for possession and contraction. Spelling groups will continue to weekly lists on EdShed.

In Reading, we will be reading The Boy Who Grew Dragons by Andy Shepherd. We will be learning how to clarify the meaning of words and phrases, predict what might happen next based on what we have read, evaluate the authors choice of language, ask questions to improve our understanding, infer a character's thoughts and motives based on what is implied, make connections between what we have read and other stories/ our lives and to summarise the key points from a story or section of text.

Mathematics

This term will feature lots of revisiting and building on previous knowledge. Every Friday, in the build up to Year 4 multiplication assessment, we will be learning and securing our knowledge of times tables and being able to quickly recall our number facts. We will also be:

- * revisiting addition and subtraction to ensure we are confident in using column method and applying our understanding to one and two step word problems
- * Revisiting multiplication and division as formal written methods (grid method, short multiplication, dividing on a number line and short division)
- *Fractions unit to build on knowledge of finding equivalent fractions and fractions of a quantity as well as how fractions can be shown as decimals.

Science

STATES OF MATTER

We will be learning about solids, liquids and gases and the properties of each. We will be learning how to find out what they are and investigating how a solid can become a liquid, and a liquid can become a gas. We will be linking this to the water cycle and understand how evaporation and precipitation is happening all around us.

History

Geography focus

Art & Design

This term, we will be learning all about digital media and the work of Andy Warhol. We will be learning about Warhol's famous pieces and how he created them before making versions of our own for a 3/4 art gallery.

Design & Technology

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Languages

Education

Modern

In French, we are revising animals in French and how to describe pets, their names and their ages.

Physical

In Games, we will be starting our athletics unit. We will learn how to run for speed and long distance, throw javelins, high jump and long jump. These skills will help to prepare us for sports day. We will be building on our fitness by continuing to do our mile run twice a week.

Computing

In computing/eSafety, we will begin looking at how to manage online information. We will be learning how to use search engines effectively, how to tell the difference between belief, opinion and fact as well as knowing how to ask for help.

Geography

In Geography, we will be learning how to read maps and use atlases. We will also work on improving our locational knowledge of Britian and looking at climate and physical features of geography such as mountains and coasts.

Music

In music we will be learning
African drumming, learning about
the history and how to create
different rhythms.

Education

Religious

This term we will be looking at the Easter story and focusing on The ascension, The Resurrection and the Journey on the Road to Emmaus. Following this, we shall be looking at one of our other faith units and focusing on Hinduism.

Exciting beginnings / events/ theme days/ trips / visitors

Local walks around Southsea for geography

Class Mass at St
Swithuns' church and
in school too – look out
for dates in the
newsletter

Text, videos, music,
pictures to ensure
experiences of rich and
varied literary heritage
The Boy Who Grew
Dragons
Dragonology
How to Train your
Dragon

PSHE / British Values

Our focus this term will be RSE. We will be following the new curriculum and focusing on 'How we love in Love' for Year 3 – giving reasons for how we grow in love and caring and happy friendships where we are safe and secure. Year 4- 'God loves our differences' focusing on – 'we are all different'