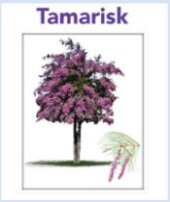
# Year 4 Newsletter – Term 2



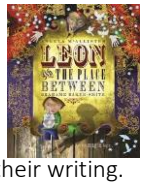

**Jacaranda:** Miss Emms ( Mrs Nash - Tuesdays)
**TA:** Miss Sivathasan & Mrs Luckhurst
**PE:** Wednesday and Thursday
**Forest School:** Wednesday (see letter)




**Tamarisk:** Mrs Collins and Mrs Hobby
**TA**: Mrs Traves & Mrs Luckhrst
**PE:** Wednesday and Thursday
**Forest School:** Wednesday (see letter)

## How have the Greeks influenced the world we live in?

### English




This term, we are using the book 'Leon and the Place Between' by Angela McAllister to develop our writing skills. Children will explore the circus world through invigorating the senses which will then be transferred in to their writing. The focus for writing is using descriptions and conjunctions to extend sentences, understanding the difference between plurals and the apostrophe for possession, as well as fronted adverbials.

### Maths

This term, children will be learning about area of shapes and then multiplication and division with a focus on recalling times table facts and the related division facts. They will explore multiplying and dividing by 1 and 0. Also methods for multiplying 3 numbers. Please continue to support your child with learning their times tables as it is really important they can recall them at speed and out of sequence.

### History

The topic is Ancient Greeks with a focus on understanding how they influenced the world we live in by looking at architecture, democracy, theatre and the Olympics.





### DT

The children will be looking at pneumatic toys. They will learn about how to make a pneumatic system and how to create simple mechanisms. In mini missions, if they choose to do so, they can apply this knowledge to making a Greek pneumatic monster.

### French

The children will be using the story Little Red Riding Hood – 'Le Petite Chaperon Rouge' to learn about colours, body parts and fairy tale characters.

### RE

Children will be exploring the question 'Who is John Wesley and what are the 'Big moments' in his life?' This will help understand the foundation of Methodism and ideals. They will recall events in his life and share why they were important to him. They will then move onto looking at incarnation and what this means to a Christian.



### Computing

Children are learning about how to use Publisher. They will be using drawing tools to create shapes and learning how these can be layered up to create a picture. They will also recap how to enter Word Art and how to insert an image.

### Science

In Science, the children will be exploring sound. They will learn that sounds are vibrations and travel in waves. They will investigate pitch and amplitude through different experiments.



### PE

Indoor PE for both classes, will be about balance and agility where the children will practise some gymnastic moves over equipment. Outside PE, has a focus on invasion games through teaching hockey and practising attacking & defending skills.
**The children in both classes have forest school – The first two weeks are Tamarisk and then 4 weeks for Jacaranda.**

### PSHE

The theme is 'Valuing differences.' Children will think about the different relationships they have with people and learn about how to compromise and negotiate. They will share ideas about personal space and express how they feel to others. They are also introduced to the term Stereotypes.

### Music

We will be continuing to learn to play our trumpets.

### Term 2 Christian Value

**Love**

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and love your neighbour as yourself." Matthew 7 v12.

Please make sure your child brings in their reading record and reading book **EVERYDAY**

They need a named drink bottle in school at all times!

Please make sure your child has a coat (named) as the weather is wet and cold.