

**Curriculum
News**
Year 3/4

IVY CHIMNEYS

**Autumn Term
2019**

Welcome back!

Carnival Time!

COMING UP THIS TERM

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| Meet the teacher | 10th Sept |
| Hornbeam assembly | 11th Oct |
| Rowan assembly | 20th sept |
| Plane assembly | 6th Dec |
| Carnival party day! | 24th Oct |
| Christmas Production | 17th Dec |
| Y3/4 trip to ESJ pantomime | TBC |
| Learning Conferences | 12th/ 14th Nov |

This term our topic theme will be 'Carnival Time' where we will be completing a focused study of the country of Brazil. We will develop map reading skills by locating Brazil and other

South American countries as well as learning

about the physical and human geography of Brazil. The children will spend the term being fully immersed in the Brazilian culture as we learn about the food, dances, music, customs, festivals and celebrations of this vibrant country.

In Literacy, we will be studying a range of genres including adventure stories, instructions texts, letters, recounts and persuasive writing linked to our Brazil topic.. During the Christmas period, there will be an opportunity for performance poetry.

In DT we will be following and creating our own recipes from Brazil.

In Maths, we will be following the 'White Rose Maths Hub' planning which not only follows the National Curriculum, but works on developing children skills in fluency, reasoning and problem solving. More will be explained about 'mastery teaching' at the meet the teacher' event and pre-teach sessions.

In Science, we will be looking at the human body and developing an understanding of the skeletal and muscular systems. We also will be comparing humans to the skeletal structure of other animals. Later in the term, we will be learning about teeth and eating— how to ensure a healthy, balanced diet. We will also study the workings of the digestive system in humans.

In art, we will be studying the famous artist Henry Rousseau and through his work we will be developing observational drawing and sketching skills as well as accurate colour mixing and painting skills.

There will be regular integration of computing skills throughout the curriculum, building on previous learning in areas such as programing and research. We will also be learning how to use Power Point to present information.

In Music the children will be listening to music and songs from Brazil and will be learning how to play Brazilian Samba drums during our exciting Samba day! Throughout the year, there will be opportunities to sing in an ensemble and compose pieces of music using the glockenspiels.

R.E. will focus on Christianity, We will first look at the life of Jesus and later in the term, the church and its function in the community.

In French, we will be using simple language to describe our families and learning about important festivals in France.

PE will include learning a Samba Dance taught by a professional dance teacher. In outdoor PE, the children will work on developing agility, strength and speed as well as learning the skills required for team games.



HOMEWORK

- Read regularly at home
- *please record in their reading record when possible
- Learn weekly spellings
- Practise times tables (we recommend Times Tables Rock Stars, your child has a log in)
- Weekly Mathletics

P.E. days

Hornbeam- Monday and Tuesday

Plane- Monday and Wednesday

Rowan- Monday and Tuesday

Please make sure your children have the appropriate PE kit in school at all times