

Courtney Primary - Topic Sheet- What is life like in India?

Term 4 – Year 3 – Miss Ford

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What is this topic sheet for?

This sheet shows you the topics your child is covering this term and gives you ideas and ways you can help your child at home. The library is always a good starting point and the internet has many great sites. If you visit www.courtneyprimaryschool.co.uk and click on the 'Links' section, you will find useful websites listed there.

English

Our class text will be a version of **The Tiger Child** by Joanna Troughton

We will be learning the following grammar skills:

- Write complex sentences using a range of conjunctions
- Use the present perfect form of verbs
- Use standard English and explore when non-standard English could be used
- Use the language features of narrative
- Use the language features of non-fiction
- Spell at least half of the Y3/4 common exception words, homophones and words from other origins.
- Spell words using some of the Y3/4 prefixes and suffixes.

Maths

In Maths this term we will be covering the following skills:

Statistics

- Interpret and present data using bar charts, pictograms and tables.
- Solve one-step and two-step questions [for example, 'How many more?' and 'How many fewer?'] using information presented in scaled bar charts and pictograms and tables.

Measurement – length and perimeter

- Measure, compare, add and subtract: lengths (m/cm/mm); mass (kg/g); volume/capacity (l/ml).
- Measure the perimeter of simple 2D shapes.

Computing

We will be continuing with Programming

During this unit we will be learning to: use commands to control a floor robot, solve problems with a floor robot and replicate their solutions on screen, use commands to write an algorithm and program, test and debug a program, use repeat in logo to write a program, write an algorithm using a visual programming language to achieve an outcome, explain how an algorithm solves a problem and write a program in which an object is used to trigger an action.

Topic

This term we are going to be exploring the question: What is life like in India?

We will be looking at where India and its capital is on a map, writing comparisons between Egyptian and Hindu gods and exploring the differences between a child's life in India and our own school day.

Science

Our focus in science is Forces and Magnets. As part of this unit, we will:

- compare how things move on different surfaces.
- Notice that some forces need contact between two objects but magnetic forces can act at a distance.
- Observe how magnets attract or repel each other and attract some materials and not others.
- Compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of whether they are attracted to a magnet and identify some magnetic materials.
- Describe magnets as having two poles.
- Predict whether two magnets will attract or repel each other.

RE

Key question: Why are festivals important to religious communities?

Art

We will be drawing some beautiful Rangoli patterns which links to some of our math's work on shape.



British Values and PSHE

Our Jigsaw piece for the term is Healthy Me. Our Courtney value this term is 'We take responsibility for ourselves and do the right thing even when it is difficult.' This links to mutual respect which is one of our British Values.



PE

During P.E this term, we will be continuing with Real PE and also look at learning some Indian dancing. Our PE lessons will be taught by Miss Ford and by Mr Smith during PPA cover. Please ensure your child has their PE kit in school, with earrings removed on the days of PE.

