

*Jesus promised, "I came that you may have life and have it to the full." John 10:10*



*Every child at Fladbury will know they are loved by God, have a **happy heart** and be part of a flourishing, well-led school. When they leave Fladbury, they will be well-prepared to meet challenges, confident in their abilities and look forward to their **bright futures** with an **open mind**.*

**SPRING TERM 2025-2026**  
**INFORMATION FOR PARENTS – Teme Class Year 3/4**

Dear Parents and Carers,

A warm welcome back after the Christmas Holidays! I hope you enjoyed all the festivities this time of year brings and Happy New Year!

**English:** In English, we will be exploring the fiction book '**Egyptian Cinderella**' by Shirley Climo. This story has a twist on the traditional fairy tale of Cinderella and was written by a 1<sup>st</sup> century Roman historian. We will compare it to the well-known Cinderella story and use drama to help us understand the structure of a fairy story to then plan, write and edit our own Egyptian fairy story narratives. We will also be writing a set of engaging instructions on how to make a mummy, using non-narrative features such as headings and sub-headings. In SPaG, we will be learning how to use apostrophes, use a wider range of conjunctions and powerful verbs.

**Reading:** Reading remains an important aspect of homework and the more your child is able to read and discuss the text, both school books and literature of choice, the better reader they will be! Reading records and reading books need to be brought into school everyday. We will continue to develop our comprehension skills in regular whole class Guided Reading sessions. We will be starting with the classic fiction text, 'Iron Man' by Ted Hughes which has rich, poetic language combined with themes of friendship, betrayal, reconciliation and the environmental connection between nature and technology.

**Maths:** We will start the Spring Term looking at Multiplication and Division and learning formal methods of short multiplication and division with remainders. Later in the term, we will be moving onto Fractions. Please help your child with learning their **multiplication tables** to assist their knowledge and understanding. The age-related expectation is that they should know their **3x, 4x and 8x tables** (on top of their 2s, 5s and 10s from Year 2) by the end of Y3 and all of their times tables up to **12x12** in Year 4. Every child in Teme Class has their own **Times Tables Rock Stars** account in which they can access this online platform at home to practise their times tables. Your child's log-in should be in their reading record. Well done to everyone who is engaging with this and quickening their instant recall of multiplication and division facts!

**P.E:** Teme class will continue to have indoor PE on a Thursday in the Village Hall. Children will also be having PE on a Tuesday so please come to school dressed in their outdoor PE kits. Please can long hair to be tied up and jewellery taken out.

We will be learning about 'Plants' over the Spring Term in **Science**. This will include finding out what plants need in order to stay healthy once they have grown. Children will identify and describe the functions of the different parts of plants. Children will complete an investigation to see how water is transported through plants. They will also look at the different ways that plants disperse seeds.

In **DT**, we will be learning about pulley mechanisms. To do this, we will be designing our own mini-Egyptian shadufs to be able to successfully pull up and lower a bucket of water. We will make them, test them out and evaluate them as all part of the Design and Technology process.

In **RE**, we will be thinking about the key question, 'How do festivals and worship show what matters to a Muslim?'. We will be looking at some beliefs about God in Islam and give examples of *ibadah* (worship) in Islam, looking at prayer and fasting in particular.

Mrs Rice will be teaching **French** and **Science** this term on Wednesday afternoons. **Forest School** will be taking place once a term with Miss Green. More information will be provided nearer the time.

In **PSHE**, we will be thinking about the puzzle piece, 'Dreams and Goals'. Children will think about their aspirations, how to achieve their goals and understanding the emotions that go with this.

In **Computing**, our Unit will be, 'Data and Information'. Children will develop their understanding of what a branching database is and how to create one. They will use yes/no questions to gain an understanding of what attributes are and how to use them to sort groups of objects. They will create physical and on-screen branching databases as well as considering real-world applications for branching databases.

In **Music**, Teme children will be having a specialist Music Teacher from SEVERN ARTS to teach us the recorder. There will be a mini-performance at the end of the Spring Term to showcase what they have learnt for Parents/Carers to attend.

To help us live out our school vision, we will be having daily Worship in our classroom this year.

Continue to look out for any information and updates on your ClassDojo page including Teme's 'Homework Menu'.

Thank you for all your support with your child's education.

Yours sincerely,

Miss M Bailey

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