



Small School Big Ideas

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Dear Parents

Welcome back to school everyone; I hope you've all had a lovely Easter break.

Following a short period of assessments (SAT's and end of Year 5 tests! ☺) we'll be following an exciting and energetic unit of work, which focuses on a topic entitled: *'Fit for life!'* with a particular focus on *the Tour de France* and the *World Cup in Brazil*. During this unit we will be focusing on art, computing, P.E, science, geography and DT.

In art, we'll be:

Looking at the ways artists have represented people and their activities.
Recording ourselves and our activities.
Exploring the ways that people develop an image of themselves.

In information technology, we'll be:

Exploring different aspects of our fitness.
Using ICT to measure and record our performance in a range of tasks.
Exploring graphical modelling by creating a new playground to improve our health and fitness.
Investigating control by exploring the program: The Crystal Rainforest.

In PE, we'll be:

Exploring the range of ways in which we can improve our physical fitness.
Practising enjoyable activities that help us to become fitter.
Taking regular exercise to see whether it makes a measurable difference to our fitness.



In science, we'll be:

Investigating measures of our fitness.

Enquiring into diet and health.

Critically examining the evidence we collect.

Learning more about changes to our bodies that take place as we grow.

Learning more about our bodies and how we can keep them in good condition.

In DT, we'll be:

Investigating healthy food, promoting, growing and cooking healthy foods and snacks!

In geography we'll:

Give the children the choice to independently investigate either France or Brazil. After giving a brief overview, the children will put their **independent research skills** to the test as they investigate their chosen country in greater detail. They will choose the areas they wish to focus on as well as making decisions as to how they will find out the information. They will then present what they have found out in a variety of ways.

In other curriculum areas we will be developing cricket and rounders skills as well as our dance and gymnastics skills in the village hall. In RE we will be investigating topics entitled: 'Justice and Freedom' and 'Stories and Songs' and in PSHCE we will be covering themes of work entitled: 'Relationships and 'Changes'. There will be also opportunities for the children to develop their art and DT skills further by making fairground stalls for a Summer 'Table Top Sale'. Other highlights of the summer term will include the summer play, sports day and of course, our residential visit to Whitby!

All of the work we are going to do has been specially written to help your child reach the learning goals. Children will be reading, researching, writing, illustrating, working on their own and working in groups. We will be checking how well your child has learned through particular activities and by asking children to explain their work, perhaps to you.

By the end of unit, I hope your child will have achieved all of the learning targets. I hope they will have had an enjoyable time in the classroom and I hope you will have enjoyed seeing your child work with enthusiasm. If you have any comments about the work your child has done, please get in touch.

Thank you for your continued support and I look forward to seeing you all soon.

Mr S Capewell

