

Flowing Rivers

Year 4 Jasper and Emerald Class
Summer Two Term 2026



Key Areas of Learning

As geographers we will be learning about the stages of the water cycle. We will be looking at the physical features of a river and describing the different ways rivers are used, studying different rivers around the world. We will think about the physical and human features surrounding a river and how they affect the river. Using this knowledge we will think about what we can do to improve our river environments.

As scientists, we will explore living things and their habitats by learning about ecosystems and how they change with the seasons. We will investigate the effects of air and water pollution on the environment and human health, and consider ways to prevent and reduce pollution. We will also learn about water conservation, the impact of water shortages, and how humans can help protect and preserve the environment.

English

As readers we will continue to read our reading books daily. Please make sure your children are reading at home and sign their diaries, which are checked regularly. If possible read with your child asking them questions about what they are reading. We will continue to read our class novel.

As writers, our writing will be based around the book *The Boy who Biked the World* by Alastair Humphries. Our focus will be non-fiction writing and we will be writing instructions, holiday brochures and explanation texts. We will be focusing on the skills of skimming and scanning for key information as well as writing key word notes on facts we find out. This enables us to write information in our own words without plagiarising. We will also be focusing on 1st person, 2nd person and 3rd person writing.

Maths

As mathematicians, we will be focusing on money by converting between pounds and pence, comparing amounts, estimating costs, calculating totals and change, and solving real-life money problems. We will be measuring time and making sure we can read clocks, both analogue and digital, including using the 24-hour clock. We will be identifying and comparing angles, learning about different types of shapes and finding lines of symmetry. We will also interpret information presented in charts and line graphs, draw our own graphs, and use coordinates to plot positions, draw shapes, and describe movements on a grid.

Computing

In computing, we will be composing music thinking about the rhythm, tempo and melody. We will be adding layers to our music to make it sound really professional!

PSHE

In PSHE, we will explore how our choices can affect other people and the environment. We will learn about responsibility, caring for others, sharing our opinions respectfully, and making informed choices.

PE

In Physical Education we will be practicing for sports day, using our athletic skills. Jasper class will continue swimming.

DT

As creators, we will be exploring electrical systems. We will investigate and evaluate different torches, before designing our own torch to meet a specific user's needs. Finally, we will develop our practical making skills by assembling, testing and evaluating a working torch.

RE

We will be exploring the question "Does the language of scripture matter?" We are learning how religious stories were passed on through oral traditions before they were written down. We will reflect on whether the language of scripture affects its meaning and importance for believers.

Music

As musicians, we will create and perform vocal and percussion ostinatos and use these skills to develop and perform our own pieces of music.

Spanish

In Spanish, we will learn how to talk about summertime by describing the weather, giving simple weather forecasts, expressing our likes and dislikes about ice creams, and taking part in conversations and role-play.

Experiences

Hounslow Urban Farm-
 Habitats interactive
 workshop

Whole School Events and Themes

12/06/26 Sports Day
 WB 15/06/26- Aspirations Week
 10/07/26- PTA Summer Fair from 3.30pm
 17/07/26 – Last Day of Term – School finishes at **1.30pm**

Summer Clubs Start- WB 20/04- Ends- 03/07