

Homework

Homework helps to make that link between home and school, it gives you an idea of what your child has or will be learning in class. Homework will either be maths or English based. Homework books will be given out every Tuesday, **homework books should be handed back in every Monday.**

The school offers a weekly homework club run by Mrs Steer, Tuesday 3 - 4 p.m.

Spellings - Weekly, spelling books will be given out on Friday to be learned ready for a **test the following Thursday.** Words to be learned will include spelling patterns learned in previous phonics lessons, as well as common exception words identified for your child. Your child's spelling test results will be stuck into the homework book for you to keep track of their progress.

Reading - Daily, for your child to become a fluent reader it is important that they spend time reading at home every day. Children should read their books more than once to secure fluency and develop comprehension skills. Reading needs to be recorded in your child's reading record and **signed by an adult.**

Library books will be changed once every two weeks on a Wednesday (beginning 8.1.20).

CURRICULUM NEWSLETTER

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Jupiter Class

Miss Debenham, Mrs Freeman, Mrs Morgan.

ENGLISH

This half-term, children will be learning about the seasons and about wild weather around the world. They will be writing non-chronological reports, diaries and acrostic poetry.

Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (SPaG)

The technical aspects of writing will be embedded in all English and Phonics lessons.

READING

In our weekly **Guided Reading** carousel, children will share a book, discuss what they have read, and then complete a related activity. They will also have an opportunity to practice their handwriting and weekly spelling words.

Each child will be heard reading by an adult every other week individually and weekly in guided reading. Paired reading takes place on a Friday afternoon when your child is paired with an older reader.

PLEASE ENSURE YOUR READING RECORD AND BOOKS COME TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY.

R.E.

In R.E this half term, children will be learning about different places of worship.

The children will participate in daily collective worship, and say Grace at lunchtime.

Once a week the *Open the Book* team will deliver a story based on Jesus' teachings.

MATHS

In maths children will continue to practice place value and sequencing through lots of practical activities, they will also be practicing multiplication and division. Problem solving, reasoning & fluency will underpin all mathematical work. Children will continue their work on the 2's and 5's and 10's times tables.

Wild Weather!

(Topic)

PE & GAMES

P.E will take place twice a week, usually on a Monday and a Friday. Children will require full kit to be in school **all week**, to allow for timetable changes.

The children will be outside as much as possible so in addition to their shorts and T-shirt, please make sure they have tracksuit and trainers.

Please take your child's earrings out on these days

GEOGRAPHY

This half term we will focus on geography and will learn about seasonal and daily weather patterns in the UK. Children will learn about hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the equator and north and south poles.

MUSIC

Music will continue to be taught using Charanga, this half-term children will be learning to play the recorders.

ART/DT

In Art children will learn about the artist Monet and will learn to use watercolour paint to produce their own Monet style artwork. Children will use these watercolour skills as well as oil pastels, sketching and collage to interpret the changing seasons through art.

PSHE

In PSHE lessons children will be learning about growth mindset and the characteristics of great learners. They will be learning to support each other as we develop this culture in class.

COMPUTING

Children will continue to practice basic skills to log on and use laptops, they will practice typing using the keyboard and will learn to create and save documents.

SCIENCE

Children will be learning about the basic needs of both animals and humans, they will be identifying and classifying animals in different ways and thinking about habitats.