

Helping Your Child At Home

Homework will be given out on a Friday to be handed in the following Friday.

There will also be a number of other 'project' style homework activities which children will need longer to research and complete. Relevant hand in dates will always be printed on these activities.

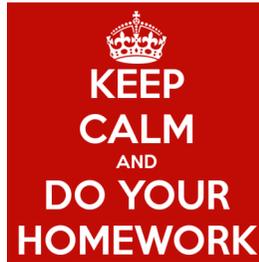
Please use this opportunity to help your child and feel free to note down if there has been any problems.

Children will be given spellings to learn each Monday- these will be tested on a Friday.

Children are also being given a set of times tables to learn each week (they have been given a small book to record these in which should be coming home with them). They will be tested on a Thursday morning. It is really important that children take this opportunity to learn their times tables as it is an expectation that they know all their times tables (up to 12x) by the end of year 4. Please help them to practice!

Please encourage your child to read for 15 minutes daily- the text doesn't necessarily have to be their school reading book (reading something is better than not reading anything at all)!

Also, encourage your child to read aloud once a week and discuss their text with you.



Dates To Remember

- May Day - Friday 8th May 2020
- Break up for half term - Friday 22nd May 2020
- **Half term - Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May 2020**

Friday 17th July 2020 - School closes for Summer Holidays

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Summer 2020 Year 4

English

In English during Summer Term we are going to be reading, and basing the majority of our Literacy work on, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory by Roald Dahl. Unfortunately, our visit to Cadbury World will not go ahead this year due to the current national situation.

We will also look at the fiction text 'Mars Needs Moms' and make comparisons to the film version.

We will also be working more on our sentence structure; and descriptive language, in order to improve our writing even further. As well as this, we will be working on our spellings and handwriting in class. With additional Guided Reading sessions to improve our comprehension work.

You can help your child by listening to them read and discussing the story afterwards (e.g. what happened, what they thought of the story), helping them to learn their spellings and encouraging them to do their homework.



Mathematics

During Maths this term we will be looking at many areas and continuing to improve our knowledge of mathematical techniques. Amongst other things, we will be looking at using and applying mathematics; counting and understanding numbers; knowledge and understanding number facts; solving word problems; understanding shapes; measuring; and handling data.

In addition to this, each week we will practice our Club Sheets and all times tables up to 12×12 .

You can help your child by assisting them to learn their Times Tables and by encouraging them to complete their homework.



Curriculum News

In summer Term 1 we will be looking in detail at The Aztecs as part of our History curriculum. We will particularly focus on the origin of chocolate and how it was developed, making links to our English focus of 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory'. In Design and Technology lessons we will design, make and evaluate working models of packaging machinery that would be used in a chocolate factory.

Our topic work in Summer Term 2 is all based around the Caribbean. We will look at many aspects, including weather and climate, food, music, schooling, land use, population, map work, comparing the Caribbean to the UK and the effect of hurricanes and tropical storms. We will each write our own question which we want to answer during this topic. Mrs James has planned our lessons so we can research and answer questions and lead our learning.

Our Art lessons also tie in with our Caribbean topic. We will be looking closely at animals found in the Caribbean amongst other creative activities.

In PSHE we will be looking at different family structures and relationships, with a focus on how friends can help us in difficult situations.

Our topics in Science this term are Living Things and Their Habitats and States of Matter.

We also have a music lesson every Tuesday with a member of staff from the Music School. We will learn to play a different instrument each term, this term it is the violin. You will be invited to a concert in Summer 2 (date to be confirmed).



Don't Forget

Please remember:

- Full uniform should be worn everyday, with no jewellery, except small stud earrings and a watch. False and painted nails are not to be worn in school.

