

Mablins Lane C.P. School



Spring Term - Year 4 Curriculum Slice 2017

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Dear Parents,

Welcome to Year 4. We hope that everyone enjoyed the Christmas holiday. We have a very busy and enjoyable term ahead of us and we would like to share some information which you will find useful and which will help you support your child.

- Please send a PE kit into school in a small bag. It is useful to have kit in school all week. Children are not allowed to take part in PE wearing jewellery; earrings **must** be removed.
- Please ensure that homework diaries come into school every day so that we can use them to communicate with you if and when the need arises. The diaries will be signed each week by the class teacher and an adult at home.
- Please try to read with your child on a regular basis. If your child reads three times each week, they will earn a Dojo Point.
- Homework will be set on a Friday and needs to be completed and returned to school by the following Tuesday. Further details will be given about project homework.

Year 4 Curriculum Slice Autumn Term

Context for Learning: Living in one World (Study of Brazil)

Cross Curricular links with English focus - The Rainforest.

Geography - The Equator, Comparing and contrasting other cultures.

Maths - Data through Rainfall.

Art - Brazilian Carnival mask making.

English



Our focus for this term is The Rainforest. As part of this topic we will be writing stories, newspaper reports, persuasive writing and looking at information text.

English homework:

Reading with your child is a vital part of English homework.



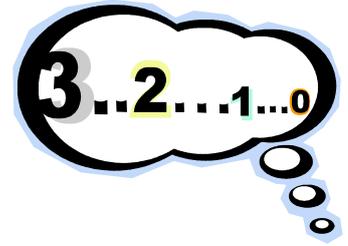
Your child will also receive spellings to learn and starting this term there will be a weekly spelling test. In addition to this there will be topic related project.

Maths

The focus for the Spring Term is fractions, time, decimals and measurement, specifically money. Children will investigate different ways to solve problems. Multiplication is an important part of the curriculum. Your child will regularly have multiplication and mental maths tests. The main focus of these tests is to teach different strategies to quickly find solutions.

Maths homework:

As part of their regular homework, your child will be expected to learn tables. This is vital to progress across the maths curriculum. In addition to this a weekly maths homework will be set through 'MyMaths' unless the class teacher states otherwise.



The Curriculum

We deliver a creative curriculum which also includes religious education, design and technology, information technology, science, arts and drama.

Science

This term we will look at the topic of sound. This will be delivered through science and music.

Religious Education

Judaism. What makes a family? What is family life like? What is most important?

Christianity, faith and the arts. Is it right to use art to express faith? How is the Christian faith expressed through the arts? Can I express my beliefs this way?

Swimming:

In Year 4 **all** children take part in a swimming course. You will be given a questionnaire to complete in order for us to assess your child's level of competence.



Residential

Year 4 to have a residential to Beeston during March. Activities will consist of shelter building, orienteering and a nature walk. An information evening will take place on February 6th 2017.