



Holdbrook Primary and Nursery School

Year 4 Curriculum Newsletter Summer Term 1 - 2015

Dear Parents / Carers

I hope everyone had a very good Easter holiday. Here is an outline of the curriculum the children will be following in Year 4 during the first half of the summer term.

English

This half term in English, the children will be studying how to write a balanced argument, looking at both for and against. They will also be learning about different poets and the way different authors write poems.



Mathematics

The children will be looking at shapes, focusing on nets, symmetry and coordinates. In addition they will start learning more about long multiplication and division. They will apply the knowledge they learn to different calculations that include addition, subtraction and measures, including time and money. Please encourage your children to learn their times tables as this will support their progress in rapid recall and calculations.



International Primary Curriculum

The theme for the term will be rainforests. The children will be studying a variety of areas, such as geography, history, art and music. They will also be looking at plants and animals in science, and how they grow and how they live. Other areas of the curriculum will be integrated into this unit.



Religious Education



This term we will learn about holy books, with the main focus on Christianity and Sikhism.

Personal, Social and Health Education

This half term the theme is 'Relationships'.



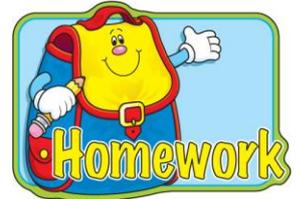
Physical Education



In PE the children will be improving their skills in throwing, catching, agility and balance through a range of team games and activities. This term they will also be going swimming on a weekly basis.

Homework

Each week the children will have a Mathematic and English task to complete that will be linked to what they have learnt that week. In addition they will receive spellings that will be tested the following week. Homework will be given out on a Friday and needs to be completed by Wednesday. Children should also be continually reading at home and I would be grateful if you could listen to your child read, and record it in their reading diaries. The children also have access to Education City and Maths Whizz, which are designed to support their learning and should be used regularly.



If you have any worries or queries, please feel free to come and see me before or after school. If you would like a longer session, we can arrange a time to suit you. Thank you for your help and support this year.

Mr Grogan and the Year 4 Team