

This half term:

Maths

- Decimals.
- Money.
- Time.

English

- Recount.
- Persuasive Writing (Travel Guide: Egypt).
- Descriptive Writing (describing the tombs).

Geography

- Geography of Egypt.

History

- Ancient Civilisations (Ancient Egypt).

Science

- Empiribox, Geology.

Music

- Cornet/Baritones

PE

- Athletics.
- Cricket.
- Racket Sports (Coordination and agility).

RE

- Christianity (Why do Christians believe they are people on a mission?).

Computing

- Communication

Art/DT

- Seasonal Food (Cooking).

French

- Time.

PSHE

- Growth Mindset.
- Working Together.



Horse Chestnut Class Newsletter

Happy Easter! I hope you've all had a good rest and have been enjoying the sun over the past couple of days. As we head into our final term together, let's make this the best yet!

School Trips.

In the next couple of weeks, we have a couple of trips. Firstly, the schools' Farm and Country fair on Thursday 25th and Shimpling Park Farm on Monday 29th. You should have received details regarding the trip this Thursday. I will send out a separate email to confirm the details of Shimpling Farm at the end of the week.

PE

This half term our PE sessions will be outdoors, weather permitting. On a Tuesday afternoon Tom Bigg will be teaching athletics and cricket and on Wednesday afternoon I shall be teaching racket sports. As we will be outdoors, children will need a sunhat and a water bottle.

Gardening

Over the course of this half term, year 4 will be helping out in the school garden. I will keep you up-to-date with when this will happen closer to the time. When we are in the garden area, it is advised that your child has a change of shoes in school.

Reading

As always, I am happy for you to make note of any reading your child is doing in their reading logs. As well as you listening to your child read, it is also important that you are still reading to your children too. At school, there will be opportunities for the children to read independently, also in groups. Our class text this half term is George's Marvellous Medicine.

Additionally, I will be running a reading club on a Friday lunchtime, where the children can come and enjoy some books.

Homework

As usual, children will receive homework every Tuesday, which will be due in the following Monday. There is an expectation for every child to attempt the work set for homework. For this reason, if a child does not complete their homework, they will be expected to complete this during some of their lunchtime. To support this, I will be running a homework club on a Thursday lunchtime. Whilst I aim to provide your child with homework they can do independently, if they are finding it difficult, this is an opportunity for them to get additional support.

Your child will also receive a set of spellings, which will be tested on Friday.

These spellings will be based around our work in class, supporting essential vocabulary to our learning, common misspellings and the national curriculum list for year 3 & 4. There will be a copy of these spellings and the homework available on the Horse Chestnut class page on the school website, if they are misplaced.

Times Tables.

By the end of year 4, it is expected that the children know their times tables up to their 12s. This is an important skill which is useful in many areas of their learning. We shall be continuing to use the Times Table Rockstars website to encourage the practising of these. As a class, we shall also be completing mini challenges around the times tables, to improve your child's understanding of the tables and fluency in their recall.

Keeping in touch

Heading into the last term of year 4, let's make this the best one yet! As usual, if you have any questions or concerns please get in touch, my door is always open.

Mr Mison