

Robertswood School



Information About This Term's Work

Year 4

Summer Term 2019

Teachers: Mr Lower and Mr Crayden

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the Summer Term and I hope your child is looking forward to the new term. This letter will give you an understanding of what your child will be doing this term.

P.E. and Games

P.E. lessons will take place on Wednesday afternoons. Many of the P.E. lessons will be taking place outside so we recommend that old trainers are worn in addition to P.E. kit. **Please ensure that the children have the correct kit in school, including appropriate footwear.**

Swimming lessons take place on Thursday afternoons starting from **2nd May** and the last swimming session will be on **11th July**. Each group will be leaving school at 1.00pm. Your child will need their swimming costume and hat in a **named** bag which is large enough to contain all of the clothes that they change out of. Children will not be allowed to wear earrings in the swimming pool. Please ensure that your child has the correct kit in school on these days and that it is all clearly labelled with their name.

It is usual to leave P.E. kit in school for the week and just take it home at weekends to wash or at the end of a half term. That way it will always be available should there be the opportunity for an extra lesson.

Swimming kit should be taken home every Thursday.

Children may bring in a bottle of water (with a 'sport's top' please) which will be kept in the classroom.

Homework

Brain Builders work will be set every 3 weeks. Maths, English and some topic based work will be set for the other weeks. Maths and English homework will be set on Thursday and due in on the following Tuesday. Your child will be using the same Maths and English homework folder and all work should be kept in there. Presentation of homework should always be of a high standard. Please encourage your child to take care over their presentation and to bring their homework in on time. Please note that homework should not be completed in biro.

In addition to this, your child should be **reading every day at home**. Reading regularly with your child will help them to improve immensely. You can support their understanding by listening to them read a variety of genres and asking them questions to aid comprehension. Your child should read for approximately 20 minutes each evening. This can be independent or shared reading. Reading records should be filled in five times a week and brought in every week when the class teacher will look at them. Children should read their colour coded book each week and may also read other books of their choice all of which should be recorded in the record book.

Children will have the opportunity to change their reading and library books on a regular basis.

Please ensure your child has a small sized pencil case containing the following items for their school and homework:

- A pencil, sharpener and rubber
- A 30 cm ruler
- Coloured pencils
- A Pritt stick

This is a summary of the work we are covering this term:

English

The children will be planning, drafting, evaluating and editing their writing based on a variety of mystery stories, short novels and classic and modern poetry.

We will also be planning, drafting, evaluating and editing their writing with non-fiction texts, including persuasive leaflets.

In addition, we will also be focusing on spelling, guided reading and grammar daily.

Maths

In maths we will be mainly focusing on number. This includes, decimals, money, time and geometry and statistics.

Please keep practising times tables with your children as they are now expected to know up to 12x12 by the end of year 4. We will be having a weekly times table test with The 99 Club.

Science

We will be learning about 'Electricity', its sources and associated hazards and we will be making simple circuits.

ICT

The children will be learning to use iMovie to help them produce and edit videos.

Geography

Our focus this term will be geography of the local area of Chalfont St. Peter.

RE

We will be looking at beliefs about 'Traditions'.

PSHE

We will be learning and understanding about personal safety and relationships.

French

Within French, we will be learning parts of the body, colours, weather and names of pets.

Art

The children will be developing their artistic skills by investigating materials and processes in producing a monoprint on fabric and creating a 3D project.

DT

In DT this term we will be designing and producing electronic games.

P.E.

This term we will be doing a variety of different team sports.

Music

This term we will be exploring arrangements, melodies and scales.

How You Can Help Your Child At Home.

Presentation of homework should always be of a high standard. Please encourage your child to take care over their presentation.

Write thank you letters after visits to grandparents, receiving presents, etc.

Write shopping lists, and help your child deal with money and change in the shops.

Help your child learn their full name, address, date of birth and telephone numbers.

Help your child to develop awareness of time, and learn to use clocks and watches in both analogue and digital.

Encourage your child to research topics of interest in books or on the computer.

Encourage the use of educational programs on the computer.

Encourage your child to take up interests and hobbies, and to join clubs in the local area.

Help your child practise times tables wherever possible, children should know up to 12x12 by the end of year 4.

Thank you for reading this letter. We hope that you have found the information useful.

Please do not hesitate to pop in to the school office and arrange for an appointment to see us and discuss any questions you may have about your child or their school work.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Lower and Mr Crayden