

Homework

Homework tasks will continue to be set on a Friday and will need to be returned to school by the following Thursday. Tasks will be stuck into the children's homework books along with their weekly spellings to learn. Please encourage your children to make sure that their book is in the green box by the due day or their tasks won't be stuck in.

Compulsory homework will always be highlighted by the use of red text. This will be learning spellings, reading with an adult and practising their target times tables.

There will also be optional tasks but these will often be linked to our class learning journeys so children are always encouraged to do these also

Physical Education (P.E.)

Woodpeckers are starting the term with games sessions from the south coast sports coaches again. These are an excellent chance for the children to receive quality training in a variety of sports and will continue with netball. In addition to this they will have their forest school on Thursday afternoon's beginning with Year 4 and Year 3 after half term.

After half term we will have an indoor PE session focusing on dance and movement.

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LAVANT C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

WOODPECKER CLASS YEAR 3/4

Curriculum outline - SPRING TERM 2018

TERM DATES	ends:	Thursday 29 th March
HALF TERM:		Monday 12 th - Friday 16 th February
INSET DAY:		Friday 9 th February

Welcome back after the Christmas holidays. We hope you all had a fantastic time and are ready for the New Year ahead.

We would like to thank you all for your lovely cards and presents.

Our First Learning Journey

This term we are continuing with our smaller units of learning, Learning Journeys, where we try to give the children a real purpose for their learning culminating in an exciting writing opportunity.

We are starting with the children's classic The Lion, The witch and The Wardrobe. The children will be writing in character and producing a diary based on their visit into Narnia.

We will also be looking at light and electricity and linking this to a DT project that will see the children make their own lamp post!

OTHER LEARNING JOURNEYS THIS TERM

Over the course of this term, the children will be engaging with a range of other learning on various subjects.

After our work on The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe we will be travelling to Ancient Egypt. We will be using our historical research skills to look at how and why the pyramids were made and how life on the Nile was heavily dependent on the annual flood. The children will explore geographical issues related with flooding and will then use their DT skills to design and make a Shaduf.

After half term, to coincide with fair trade fortnight, we will be embarking on a Learning Journey that will investigate ethically sourced products and enable us to find out more about what 'Fair trade' means. The children will be mastering the art of persuasive writing to persuade us to support this cause.

Another Learning Journey will see us explore habitats which will then turn into adventure stories based on the S.W.I.T.C.H books by Ali Sparkes

As Easter approaches we will be finishing the term with a RE based Learning Journey all about the cross and what it symbolises for Christians.

OTHER TOPICS

MFL

In French we will be focusing on clothes and food. The children will learn naming vocabulary as well as learn to ask and answer simple questions related to these areas.

RE

The children will be looking at a unit that will help them understand what it is like to follow God. They will look at the story of Noah from the Old Testament and how the promises Noah made link to the vows from a Christian Wedding Ceremony. They will also draw links from the story about how we live in school and the wider world.

PSCHE

The children will be exploring what it means to get on with each other and how to resolve things when they fall out. They will look at the themes of friendship, how to be a good listener, how to work together, how to manage their feelings and how to resolve conflicts.

Computing

Last term saw us tackle video editing using windows live movie maker. We created news reports to fit with our Charlie and the Chocolate Factory learning journey. We also looked at Scratch and tried to create quizzes using the 'if this, do this' commands.

Because of the change we are going to try and create our class wiki over this term. Year 3 will do this first; using their facts from Ancient Egypt and after half term the Year 4s will have their chance using facts found out about fair trade.

Maths

Areas that will be covered:

Number and Place Value

Multiplication and division

Addition and subtraction

Fractions

Time

Mass, volume and capacity

Please make sure that P.E. kits stay in school all week and as the weather remains cold, tracksuit bottoms and a change of jumper is recommended. We will still be outside - even if it is slightly damp and a soggy jumper for the remainder of the afternoon isn't much fun!