

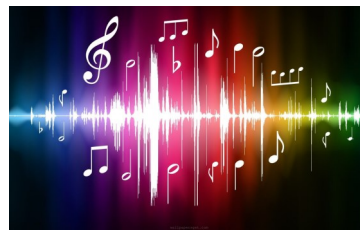
Sutton Road Primary
School
and Nursery



Curriculum Newsletter



Geography



Science and Music

Year 4 - Summer Term

Welcome

Welcome back! We hope you had a fun and restful Easter break. We are looking forward to sharing the last term with you, before moving on to upper Key Stage 2. We are excited for the new learning, experiences and memories we are going to make on the build up to Summer.

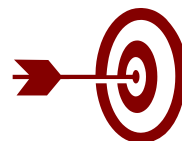
Please read below for an outline of coverage and what to expect this term...

The Summer Term Topics are as follows:-

- **Geography**
- **Science**
- **Music**

Targets

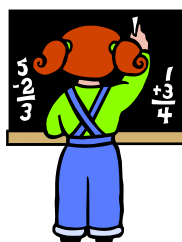
We will continue to set your child's Maths and English Targets this term. This Target is a specific area that all children need to focus on. Within this target, there are 'steps' (individual targets) linked to the area. This is done during our Maths and English lessons and may be sent home as homework.



Maths

The children have a daily Maths lesson covering all National Curriculum Mathematics areas. Our targets will support these areas of Mathematics. The Mathematics curriculum is grouped into the following areas-

- Number
- Calculation
- Measures
- Shape
- Data



English

The New English National Curriculum stresses how important this subject is for our society.

'English has a pre-eminent place in education and in society. A high-quality education in English will teach pupils to speak and write fluently so that they can communicate their ideas and emotions to others and through their reading and listening, others can communicate with them.'



Maths Homework

In Year 4 the children will be given a piece of Maths homework every week. This is usually given on a Friday and we expect Homework to be completed by the following Wednesday and returned to school. It is important that you help your child with their homework. This will start the first Friday of this half term.

Reading

We will be continuing to learn key words and spelling patterns. It is important to read for about 10 minutes every night. Can you also write in your child's reading record when you have read at home. This will allow us to see if they are ready to change their reading books. We would like to encourage the children to read more and change their reading books more often. Children will take part in a teacher led guided reading session every day and their reading will be reviewed in this session with books changed as appropriate.



English Lesson

During English, the class will be listening to a range of fiction and non-fiction texts. Their independent work will link to the books we are reading together and Target work. In our shared reading time we will focus on how the text is written. Our key focus in English will be using and applying Rainbow Grammar techniques in our own writing. This includes fronted adverbials and subordinating and coordinating conjunctions to create coordinated and multi-clause sentences, accurately demarcated with commas. Big Write will be on Friday mornings where by the children will be expected to write independently for a sustained period, demonstrating their taught writing capabilities.

Handwriting

Correct letter formation is extremely important for neat and tidy writing. We are aiming to improve the handwriting of our children and will expect accurate letter formation that is consistently joined. Your child will practise their handwriting everyday.

Correctly formed and joined up handwriting is our aim this year as the presentation of all school work must be neat and tidy.

English Homework

Your child will have a reading book to take home to read. They will also have one piece of English homework to complete every week based on either current learning or Target Work. Similarly to Maths, English homework will be handed out on a Friday and will be expected to be handed in by the following Wednesday. Homework is a partnership with school and it is very important that parents help and support your child with this.



Science

In Science, we will be exploring and investigating how sound is created and travels from one source to another



ICT

The children will use various programs but we will also be focusing on the programming and coding of 'Big Trak Codeapillars'.



Music

We will be following our music curriculum. The children will learn about pulse, rhythm, dynamics and beat. They will listen to short pieces of music, sing songs and play instruments, composing their own pieces of music.



Art



Art work will be included in our topics and themes. We will be looking at city skylines and how to create these using different media, linking closely with our Geography unit.

P.E.

Your child will be doing indoor and outdoor PE. Our focus for indoor PE will be Multiskills, which teaches the fundamentals of balance, agility and coordination.

Weather permitting, we will have outdoor PE where we will be learning about how to utilize skills during invasion sports and we are looking forward to some mini tournaments coming up to allow children to demonstrate their capabilities. It is important that your child has shorts and t-shirt and plimsolls or trainers for outdoor PE. Please remember to label all clothes with your child's name. All jewellery must be removed for health and safety reasons.



Useful Websites:

www.bbc.co.uk/schools/websites/4_11/site/literacy.shtml
www.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/Games/.../literacy.html
www.bbc.co.uk/schools/websites/4_11/site/numeracy.shtml
www.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/maths/

Trips and extra activities:

As a team, we are working hard to incorporate lots of opportunities to enhance the children's education with trips.
More information to follow later in the term.

Thank you for your
ongoing support