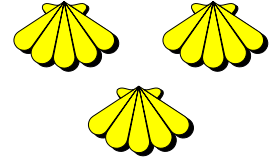


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Summer Newsletter

Year 4 - Violet Class

Dear Parents/Carers

We hope you had a lovely Easter Holidays and are ready to send your child back to school!

Reading is an important part of your child's learning. Please continue to read with your child at least 5 times each week - it really does make a difference! We will monitor the records every Thursday. Please take the time to talk to your child about what they have read. During our CUSP lessons, we will be continuing our class book 'The Girl who Stole an Elephant', we will also be looking at the book 'Varjak Paw'.

In **English**, we will be developing our skills in fiction writing, focusing on developing narrative, character and using speech. For our non-fiction topics, we will be analysing a range of newspaper reports and information texts and will be using these to help write our own. The children will continue with Big Writing to further develop their independent writing and editing skills. **Spelling, grammar and handwriting** will also be taught on a regular basis.

In **Maths** we will be continuing your child's learning in decimals and fractions and converting between the two. We will also be looking at Money, Time and properties of 3-D shapes. We will also be learning about geometry, more specifically position and direction. We will be working throughout the term on the children's timestables skills, working towards our assessment later in the term.

In **Science** we will be learning about sound, which includes looking at; how sounds are made and associating this with vibration, this also includes pitch, volume and how distance affects sound. In the second half of the Spring term, we will be revisiting and consolidating our learning on 'living things and their habitats'.

In **RE** the children will be looking at Hinduism and the story of Rama and Sita along with a trip to Bhaktivedanta Manor Hindu temple. In the second half-term we will be looking at Christianity -What difference did Paul's conversion on the Damascus road make to Christians?

In **Design and Technology** the children will be completing a project on food, and adapting a recipe and looking at torches and electrical systems. In **Art** we will be exploring sculpture and 3D and craft and design with fabrics.

In **Computing**, the children will be exploring effective searching and being a hardware investigator. In the second half-term we will be looking at using software to make music.



In **History** the children will explore the Ancient Egyptians and their achievements. In **Geography** we will be looking at the water cycle and consolidating the children's learning on rivers.

In **PE** the children will be developing their skills in Tag Rugby along with a competition at Bishop's Stortford Rugby Club and they will also be doing Athletics. Please make sure that your child has the correct PE kit, royal blue T-shirt, a navy blue PE jumper, navy shorts or skirts and plimsolls or trainers, all clearly labelled. You may also wish to provide your child with jogging bottoms too.

We will be learning **French** each week. Our topics this term are 'Classroom and things within the classroom' and in the second-half of the term, 'My Home and areas of the house'.

In **Music** the children will continue to learn to play a stringed instrument every week as well as exploring other musical instruments, the music of the Beatles and looking at the skills of Reflect, Rewind and Replay.

Homework will continue to be given out on a Friday to be returned on the following Wednesday please. Please continue to provide your child with fruit or vegetables for snack each day and they will also need a water bottle too. Water bottles should contain water only for throughout the day.

As always, if you ever have any concerns please do not hesitate to contact the office to arrange a mutual time to discuss.

We look forward to the children having another great term.

Yours sincerely
Mr Pickering
Violet Class teacher

