

# Swans Curriculum Newsletter



Welcome to the Summer Term! We have a busy term ahead, with lots of exciting learning planned!

## Literacy

We will be writing the following texts:  
Narrative writing  
Persuasive writing.  
Adventure story.  
A diary.  
Non-chronological report.

## Maths

Place value and rounding.  
Mental and written calculations.  
Fractions and decimals.  
Time. Area and perimeter.  
Data Handling.

## Science

Plants (Y4).  
Evolution and Inheritance.  
Life Cycles (plants and animals) (Y5).

## Geography

Why is Jane's house only worth a pound? - learning about different human and natural forces and their affect on the landscape.

## History

Why were castles so important to the Normans?

## Music

Creating simple melodies.  
Connecting notes and feelings.

## D&T

Making bird feeders for our Courageous Advocacy work.  
Making Viking boats.

## RE

Continuing to learn about the Islamic religion. Why the 5 pillars of Islam are important to those living an Islamic life. In Summer Term 2, we will be visiting and learning more about All Saints Church as part of their 800th birthday celebrations.

## PE

Rounders and Athletics.  
PE will be on Thursday mornings. Children will need their outdoor PE kits.

## PSHE

Living in the wider world - rights and responsibilities, taking care of the environment, money.

## French

Vocabulary and phrases linked to friendship and growing things.

# Homework

Homework will be given out on a Wednesday and needs to be returned by the following Monday. Each week, the children will be given spellings, literacy and numeracy. Each piece should take no more than 20 minutes to complete. In addition to this, the children need to practise learning multiplication facts and continue to read their home reading book.

# Reading

Your child will have a reading book that they will bring home on a Monday, along with their Reading Record.

This book should be read at home throughout the week. Your child can read their book on their own, but we would also like them to read with an adult, at least three times a week. This should be logged in the Reading Record by the adult.

The Reading Record needs to be returned to school each Monday, along with the reading book if it is completed. Your child can keep their book for more than a week if they need to. If your child has chosen a shorter book and completes it, they should read it more than once before returning it the following week.

## A note from the teachers...

**Please remember to come and speak to us should you have any questions or concerns regarding your child.**

**Thank you for your support.**

**Swans' Class Team**