

English / Literacy

This term we will be linking our literacy work with our topics- **Crime & Punishment** and **Freedom**. Children will learn about biographies. They will be writing persuasively, looking at information texts, play scripts and poetry. We will also be working on descriptive writing, developing children's use and understanding of vocabulary, grammar and punctuation to make their writing more interesting.

Reading: Children will continue to read regularly with an adult at school during guided reading sessions. We will also be setting reading comprehension tasks for home learning every other week. I strongly recommend daily reading at home to help support all aspects of your child's learning.

Spelling: Children will continue to be set weekly spellings. Please help your child learn these ready for a test on Tuesdays.

Class 4, 5 & 6

Mrs Cox



Autumn Term 2018

Maths / Numeracy

In maths we will be developing children's understanding of place value, addition and subtraction, multiplication and division and perimeter and area. They will be consolidating existing skills as well as learning more methods to support their learning in preparation for the KS2 SATs

Mental maths: This term there will be strong emphasis on times tables and quick recall of number facts. Please support your child by practising these at home as much as possible.

Other Curriculum Subjects

Science: *Mixtures and Reactions:* The children will look at methods of separating mixtures and carry out an investigation on "sewage" to clean it up before discharge into a river. They will investigate chemical reactions including burning and use a key and a series of simple tests to identify some mystery powders. They will learn about reversible and irreversible changes.

Evolution and Inheritance: The children will learn about the life and work of Charles Darwin and what is meant by the terms evolution and survival of the fittest. They will learn how animals and plants are adapted to their environment and investigate camouflage and find out how humans evolved.

ICT: The children will be learning digital literacy and online technologies

E-safety - The children will be learning which websites are safe to visit, comparing and contrasting real life friends and online friends, and understanding that personal information should never be given out.

History: The children will learn about Crime and Punishment through the ages. They will also learn about slavery as part of our Freedom topic.

Art: The children will be taking part in an art week after half term. We will be learning how to quilt and use batik.

PSHE: Children will be participating in the 'Taking Care Project.' They will learn about how to keep themselves safe, and how to talk to someone if they feel unsafe.

Religious Education: We are looking at the question 'What can we learn from religions about deciding right from wrong?'

Physical Education: PE lessons will continue to be taught by the Onside Coaches on **Friday's**. Please ensure that your child has the correct kit in school on these days.

