

### Reading Books.

Reading Books will be changed on Mondays and Fridays. It is important that your child brings their reading book and diary to school on these days so that we can change the books accordingly. The record must be signed by an adult for the book to be changed.



All children are being read to every week and children are receiving 4 Reading lessons within class.

### Homework



Homework is sent out on a Friday and is due in the following Monday. Homework set compliments learning that has taken place throughout the week in both English and Maths.

To develop reading pace, fluency and comprehension children are given accelerated reading books and must complete their AR quiz after each book. Children must practice their times table using Times table Rockstar. This is essential to building quick recall and arithmetic skills.

### PE

Ibn Masood - Tuesday AM

Ibn Amr - Tuesday PM

Ibn Al- Awwaam - Thursday AM

It is important that your child is not wearing any jewellery in school and that an appropriate PE kit is always in school.



## Year 5 Newsletter



The lady of Shalott

## Spring Term 2: 2020

The children will be learning about the following:

**English-** This term we focus on a classical Narrative poem called the 'Lady of Shalott'. Children will explore how Tennyson presents the Lady of Shalott by closely examining the action, dialogue and description in the poem. Next, we move on to 'arguments and debates' and discuss the pros and cons of fracking and understand the rules of formal debating

**Maths-** We will look at imperial unit of measure and compare this to metric conversion. Next, we move onto the looking at the relationship between decimal, fraction and percentages. Then we look at the 'mean' in data and examine the area of a triangle.

**Science** - We will focus on 'living things and their habitat'. Children get creative by dissecting a plant and examining the reproductive parts in a plant; as well as, understating the process of pollination. We will describe ways to grow new plants other than from seed. Furthermore, we will examine the life cycles of plants, mammals, amphibians, insects and birds.

**Geography-** our topic is 'our changing country'. Children will locate and describe UK coasts, mountain ranges and rivers. We will locate and describe counties, cities and other settlements of the UK, explain how they have changed over time and understand that some locations for settlements are better than others.

**Art** - This term in art we are going to be looking at Salvador Dali and his style of surrealism art where perfectly normal objects are out of place. Surrealistic paintings can be shocking, interesting, beautiful or just plain weird!

**ICT** - 'We are bloggers' children will create a blog on their preparation for Mini baccalaureate and write about their experience after their performance.

**RE-** The topic this term for RE will be change and death; we believe that children should be aware of the different stages throughout a person's life. In this unit we plan on teaching children that death is not always a bad thing and it is a way that we can celebrate someone's life.

**French-** We will explore Habitats'. Children will learn key vocabulary and sentences in French about the key elements animals and plants need to survive in their habitat. Children will explain which animals live in these different habitats.

**What you can do at home:**

- Spellings will be sent home every Friday and children will be tested the following Friday. Please practise these with your child and ensure they also understand the meanings of the words.
- Read with your child every day. This will increase their fluency and will assist them in their comprehension.
- Encourage your child to use ambitious vocabulary in their writing.
- Assist your child in learning the place value up to a 10 Million.
- Encourage your child with their cursive handwriting.
- Children can log into **Accelerated readers** site to take their online quiz of their reading books (log in details needed)  
<https://Ukhosted93.renlearn.co.uk/6700725>
- To practice times table children have been given log in details for 'Times Table Rock star'. <https://trockstars.com/login>

If you would like to speak to the class teacher, please do not hesitate to make an appointment .