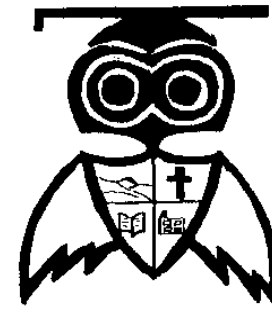


How you can help your child:

- ❑ Homework: This will still be given on a Monday and Friday.
- ❑ Monday's homework will involve spellings and multiplication practice activities.
- ❑ Friday's homework will be a mixture of activities.
- ❑ Please help your child to keep track of what homework they have and not to leave it until the weekend when a lot of children are very busy.
- ❑ Please try to hear your child read and talk about their books.
- ❑ They will be heard to read at school during guided reading and where necessary 1:1.
- ❑ PE will now be on a THURSDAY morning with PAS. Children will need full kit in school for the whole term.
- ❑ Please could children not wear football shirts as part of their PE kit. The children should have a t-shirt and shorts for inside activities but NOT pumps. When PE is outside please could the children have warmer clothes e.g. sweatshirt/hoodie/joggers and trainers (converse are not suitable footwear). Many thanks.
- ❑ There will also be a PE session on a Friday afternoon.
- ❑ Many thanks to all those who have posted on our blog. [www.merlins@edublogs.org](mailto:www.merlins@edublogs.org)
- ❑ If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to pop in or phone..

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Merlin Class

## Maths



This term's maths will be focused on the revision of the mathematical concepts we have covered so far. This includes long multiplication and long division. The children will be asked to demonstrate their knowledge and understanding of these methods in solving word problems and in reasoning solutions.

The children will also be using fractions, percentages and decimals. This includes recognising the equivalences in all three forms, as well as adding, subtracting, multiplying and dividing all three.

We will also be practicing solving calculations at speed by using the appropriate method.

## Science

In science the children will be learning about light and electricity. In particular will be studying the direction of light and how it helps the eye to see.

The children will be doing some investigations to prove their hypothesis and trying different variables to see if their results will change. Through the study of light the children will make periscopes and look at other phenomena relating to light e.g. rainbows, prisms etc

In the recording of their work, the children will produce scientific reports, which will include using accurate scientific diagrams and symbols.



## Physical Development

The class will continue to have PAS on a Thursday. On a Friday another PE session will be used to cover dance. The dance lesson will be based around the book by Michael Morpurgo called Bladdin. The children will be asked to create their own



## English:



In spelling the children will be asked to continue to learn and practice the spelling rules e.g. pluralisation rules, suffix and prefixes etc. These will be on top of learning to spell accurately our challenge words.

In grammar and punctuation we will be learning about the passive/active voice, adverbial and noun phrases, prepositions, articles etc.

These and the use of accurate punctuation, including colons, semi-colons, hyphens etc will be taught and used in the children's writing.

In order to practice all these elements the children will have regular opportunities to write in different genres e.g. biographies, speech writing, mythical stories etc.

In particular as part of our theme will be studying poetry and

## Knowledge and understanding of the world:



As part of this term's theme the children will have plenty of opportunities to extend their knowledge and understanding of the world. In particular we will be looking at how Ancient Egypt has influenced the western world and using a number of different historical sources to investigate this period in history.

The children will be finding out about the artists/architects: Dali and Gaudi, as well as finding a bit more out about the surrealist world. The children will be asked to produce their own work based on these studies using a variety of techniques.

Mr Cook will be teaching the children about a European region and how the human geography of this place has helped to expand economic links etc.

It is hoped we will make some trips to our local library and develop further our love of reading. We will be writing book reviews and producing our own short books using paper mechanisms and other book art ideas

