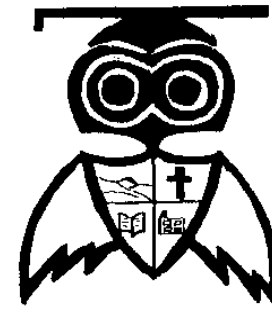


How you can help your child:

- ❑ Homework: This will still be given on a Monday and Friday.
- ❑ Monday's homework will involve spellings
- ❑ 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 remain on a THURSDAY morning with PAS. Children will need full kit in school all the time.
- ❑ 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.
- ❑ Remember our class blog is: www.merlins@edublogs.org
- ❑ If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to pop in or phone.

St Luke's Primary School Curriculum Information



Living and growing

Merlin Class

Maths



_This term in Maths we will be revising all the areas of Maths that we have covered. We will be particularly focusing on Maths problems which involve a variety of calculations.

As the term progresses we will start to do more investigations where the children will have to apply their mathematical skills.

We will be applying our Maths skills in other curriculum areas as well e.g. in science we will be measuring accurately our body parts to replicate Leonardo Da Vinci's, Vitruvian Man.

Science

This terms theme allows us to focus on plants, flowers, micro-organisms and animals. In particular we will be looking at the five (or seven) kingdoms of living things, as well as revision of vertebrates and non- vertebrates. We will be learning about the classification system for living things that the Scientist, Carl Linnaeus established and which we still use today.

Following on from this we will be studying life cycles and in particular reproduction and pregnancy in humans.



Physical Development

_The class will continue to have PAS on a Thursday. On a Friday another PE session will be used to do a variety of competitive games e.g. rounders, as well as doing a mini Olympic style athletics tournament.



English:



We will be continuing with our revision of grammar, punctuation and spelling . These will also be used in the different writing styles that we intend to cover this term e.g. newspaper accounts, diary entries, report writing etc.

As part of our transition arrangements for moving to secondary the children will be reading 'Kensukes Kingdom' by Michael Murpurgo.

This term, as part as the speaking and listening element of the new curriculum, the children will be asked to learn a poem/sonnet from a well- known writer. They will then deliver it to the class.

We will also be using our drama skills in our summer production.

Knowledge and understanding of the world:



As part of this terms theme the children will have plenty of opportunities to extend their knowledge and understanding of the world. In particular we will be learning about Ancient Sumer. We will be finding out about the people and some of the important events that took place in this period of history.

The children will be finding out about Leonardo Da Vinci and the Renaissance period throughout Europe. The children will be asked to produce their own work based on these studies using a variety of techniques. In particular, we will be focusing on observational drawing of plants and flowers and then using these to create clay tiles.

Mr Cook will be teaching the children about physical geography this term e.g. volcanoes and climate zones.

We will be making our own musical instruments after listening to a variety of instruments within an orchestral piece.

In computing we will be planning and making a film about our school for the website, as well as establishing continued awareness of internet safety.

