

Elephant Class

Term 5 - April 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the new Summer Term and I hope you had a lovely Easter break. I am writing to share with you the topics your child will be looking at this term so that we can work together to provide all the support your child will need.

The core subjects, English, Maths, Science and RE are given a greater proportion of the weekly timetable and will include:

English: *Fiction:* picture books related to Space theme; The Three Little Aliens and the Big Bad Robot.

Poetry: poems using rhythm and patterns linked to Space.

Non-fiction: Information text and dictionary skills

These units of study offer a variety of writing opportunities; encouraging your child to develop both as a reader and a writer. Your child will gain confidence to discuss their understanding of the stories, explore sentences structure and improve their writing and reading comprehension.

Maths: *Measurement:* Capacity.

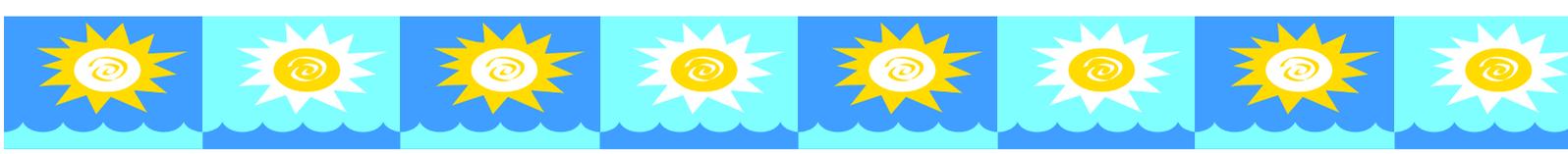
Multiplication and division: recall counting in 2s, 5s and 10 and the concept of division as sharing in equal parts

Fractions: recognise and name half and quarter of equal parts of objects, shapes and quantities

Please encourage your child to talk about the methods and strategies they have learnt in school to secure their understanding further. Your child will continue to learn the multiplication tables. Please support your child to practise them to increase fluency and thereby strengthening their application to a variety of mathematical concepts.

Creative Curriculum: This term the Creative Curriculum will be **Space**. This will include a study of The Apollo 11 moon landing. Your children will be given opportunities to use the internet and taught how to research information safely. The Creative Curriculum homework has been set related to this topic. Your child has **two weeks** to complete it and we look forward to seeing the wonderful creative ways they can present this fantastic Science topic.

Homework: Thank you for all of those who have returned your completed homework I can see in your children's spelling and counting in 2, 5 and 10's that this is really starting to pay off.





Reading: It is very important that you listen to your child read for approximately 10 minutes every day. Please encourage them to discuss the story or information book to develop good comprehension skills. This will lead to your child becoming an avid reader whilst also improving their writing skills. Your children should read a range of books from their reading level and then move to the next level of the reading scheme when they are reading confidently and fluently.

Spellings: Our spelling test will be on the second to last week.

PE: PE lessons are on Tuesday and Thursdays so please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school. **All pieces of clothing should be clearly labelled, especially school jumpers.** As the weather improves, we will spend more time exploring the Outdoor Environment. Your child will need to have a water bottle and sun hat to keep them safe in the sun.

If you have any concerns or queries, please contact me informally at the school gate or we can arrange a meeting in the classroom.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Carlow

