## **Important Dates**

Mon 13th Jan	9.00am Volunteer safeguarding
	Training (for new volunteers)
Wed 29th Jan	UKS2 Maths games with children at
	2.50pm.
3rd February	Life Bus in school
Friday 7th Feb	PTA disco 6.45pm KS2
Tues 11th Feb	2.00pm Yr6 Festival of Literature
Weds 12th Feb	2.00pm School Council Picture Book
	Award
Half Term	17th - 21st Feb 2020
Mon 24th Feb	INSET DAY
Tues 25th Feb	Children Return to School
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Fri 28th Feb	Technology Week
Tues 25th Feb	Parent consultations 4-7pm
Weds 26th Feb	Parent consultation 3.30—6pm
Thurs Mar 5th	World Book Day (dressing as an adjec
	tive)
Sun March 8th	Albert Hall Hertfordshire Gala Concert
Thurs 12th Mar	Y6 instrumental Concert
Fri 3rd Apr	Term Ends at 2.00pm
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#### Trips / Events this Term

Wed 29th Jan UKS2 Maths games with children at 2.50pm.

Tues 11th Feb 2.00pm Yr6 Festival of Literature (parent helpers wanted for walking to BSC)

Thurs Mar 5th World Book Day (dressing as an adjec tive)

#### Work sharing

Tuesday 24th March 2.50pm. Please come into your child's class to view their work from this term's topic: Revolutions.



# Spring Term 2020

Happy New Year! We hope you have had a restful Christmas break. We look forward to working with the children on this term's exciting topic about the Victorians. If you have any guestions, please see us in the playground at the end of the day or leave a message with the office. We are aware that many children have received mobile phones as Christmas presents; this is a gentle reminder that phones are only permitted for the purpose of walking to/from school. Mrs Gitto and Mr Dunn

This term our topic is called Revolutions. Revolutions is a history-based topic focusing on the Victorian era. Children will learn about the life and times of Victorian school children, people in the workhouse as well as the Victorian royal family and the many inventions of the time. Many of our subjects will be linked to this topic.

### English

Over the term we will be covering the following text types: Gothic horror narratives, diary entries, instructions and persuasive writing. All of these will be linked to the Victorian era using texts such as: The little match girl by Hans Christian Anderson, Fair's Fair by Leon Garfield and Oliver Twist by Charles Dickens as well as exploring the gothic horror characters of Frankenstein's monster, Dracula and Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde.

#### Art/DT

In art, we will be studying William Morris and creating our own prints in his style. In DT, we will be constructing Victorian swing boats.

#### <u>Science</u>

Our two topics will be 'electricity' and 'evolution and inheritance'. If you have an questions about what is covered in these topics please contact Mrs Gitto.

#### RE

We will be looking at Buddhism and Christianity through the topics of identity and belonging, prayers and worship.

PE Kit

PE lessons are on Fridays. Please ensure indoor and outdoor kit is in school all week. Our PE sessions this term will focus on gymnastics and outdoor games.



## Home Learning

Home learning is still given out on Fridays and collected in on Wednesdays. Please make sure this term you help your child learn the key terms on the 'non-negotiables' sheet. Children will continue to receive two pieces a week. The maths, English and topic tasks should take approximately 30 minutes each. You may wish to leave the teacher a comment should you feel the need to raise awareness of a difficulty with a task.

## Maths

- Area, perimeter and volume •
- Properties of shape •
- Angles and coordinates •
- Measures and statistics

We will continue to revise all areas of number. We appreciate your continued support at home with these areas.

# Reading

All children have a reading record book which they are expected to take home and bring into school daily. Teachers will



check record books in your child's weekly guided reading session (C11 Tues/Weds, C12 Thurs/Fri). Children may use school library books or bring in an age appropriate book from home. Please listen to your child read **at least three times per week** in

order to help them increase their vocabulary and deepen their understanding of the text. If your child has lost or misplaced their reading record, please let us know as soon as possible. Please be aware that there may be a small charge for replacement records.