

Important Events

3rd March 2018: Chile Class Assembly

TBC: Trip to Railway Fields Nature reserve.

9th February 2018: School closes for Half term

19th February 2018: Return from Half term

Homework

Spellings and maths homework will be sent out **every Friday**. Homework should be handed in by the following Wednesday.

Spellings will be sent out every **week** and tested at the end of the week.

Reading Journals need to be completed by the children with support from parents. Feel free to encourage your child to draw pictures and engage with their home reading books.

This term the children will be exploring gymnastics and basketball.

Children must bring their **complete PE kit every DAY**.



Year Two Spring 1 Term Curriculum Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the start of an exciting new half term at Alexandra Primary School! I hope you all had a restful holiday and are ready to dive into the new half term.

We have lots of interesting and new topics to cover this term with a particular focus on animals and humans and how we can stay healthy. Please ensure that your child is reading and practising times tables every evening.

Should you have any concerns or wish to talk to us about your child's progress, please feel free to speak to us. We are available to talk after school on most days.

Information about what your child will learn this half term is on the inside of this booklet.

We look forward to working with you and your child.
Mrs Beare and Kehinde

As writers we will be exploring texts in detail and looking at how we can develop our writing skills through our learning. We will be focusing on both fiction and non-fiction genres of writing. Children will have the opportunity to develop their setting and character descriptions as well as doing some persuasive writing and instruction texts. **What would you write instructions for?**

As mathematicians we will continue to develop the mental strategies we use to calculate problems quickly. We will be developing our use of number and work with word problems. **Can you name as many 2D and 3D shapes as you can?**

As scientists we will be looking at how animals including humans function and digest food. Furthermore, we will be exploring food chains and the different roles of each stage. We will also be investigating how to keep them healthy and the impacts of a good diet. **How do you stay healthy at home?**

PSHE & RE

RE: Why is Jesus important?
SEAL: Going for Goals
PSHE: Let's work

English

Settings, character descriptions, persuasive writing and instructions

Maths

Multiplication, division, shape, place value

Science

What humans and animals need to live, grow and survive.

Computing

Word processing our writing.
Using iPads and cameras to capture our learning.

History

Florence Nightingale

Chile



Reading

Reading takes place every day in year two, with an extra focus being placed upon 'reading for meaning'. A different group will change their book each day, but if your child wishes to choose a new book they may whenever they would like.

Physical Development

Dance and basketball

Art/D.T.

Designing a healthy meal

We will be tasting, designing and then making healthy sandwiches. We will be using different equipment to prepare our different fillings and to help make our sandwiches. **What is your favourite sandwich filling? Why?**

We will be learning Dance and basketball during P.E. Learning to dribble, throw and catch a basketball as well as how to sequence a dance routine. **Have you ever played basketball before?**

We will be learning all about significant people in history with a focus on Florence Nightingale. We will learn all about things she did to help others and make an impact on the world. **What can you find out about Florence Nightingale?**