

Important Events

19th February: Return from Half term

2ND March: World Book Day Celebrations and Family Film Night

5th March: Year 6 SATS meeting at 3.45pm

29th March: Break up for Easter holidays

Homework

Homework is handed out on **Friday** and should be returned the following **Wednesday**. Homework will consist of a maths tasks that will consolidate the work they have learned that week and a literacy task.

A regular part of homework will be weekly **spellings**, we will be practising these in class and children will be tested on these on Friday.

Also, please practise the **times tables** with your child, they will let you know which is their focus times table.

It is important that your child does their homework – please help them by making sure they have time to do it.

It is essential that your child **reads every day!** Reading is a fantastic way for your children to expand their vocabulary, increase their knowledge and improve their writing.

Ask them questions about their reading. For example:

- What do you predict will happen next?
- What do you know about the character from that paragraph?
- What is the main idea/theme in that chapter?
- Is this book similar to any other books you have read?



**Year Six
Spring 2 Term**



Curriculum Newsletter

We are El Salvador and España!

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.

This half term we have a particular focus on our preparations for SATs in May. We will hold a meeting on 5th March to discuss how we will be preparing your child and how you can support at home.

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.

Miss Seymour, Mrs Piesold and Ms Cannon

My Maths www.mymaths.co.uk

You child has received a user name and password for My Maths. This is a brilliant website where children can practise their maths skills at home. We will also be setting maths homework from this website. Please encourage them to use it at home.



Writing

We will be linking our writing to the World Book Day book, *The Wizard of Oz*. Children will have the opportunity to write **poetry, a newspaper report and a narrative**.

We will be developing our spelling strategies, grammar and punctuation skills.

Help your child with their **spellings** by encouraging them to clap the word and count the sounds. Do they recognise any other words in the word? Which part is tricky to spell? Encourage them to use the strategy look, cover, spell, check to practise the words.

Reading

We will continue to develop our reading skills of **inference, prediction, clarifying, summarising, evaluating, asking questions and making connections** through our daily reading lessons.

Mathematics

As mathematicians we will work hard at becoming fluent in the **fundamentals of mathematics**. We will be practising our times tables to 12 and the division facts. We will reason and justify our theories and approaches, using mathematical language and discussion. We will **solve problems**, applying our learning in a variety of contexts.

Science

We will be continuing to learn about the fascinating subject of **evolution and inheritance**. We will learn how fossils provide information about living things that inhabited the Earth millions of years ago. We will examine how living things produce offspring of the same kind, but normally offspring vary and are not identical to their parents.

PSHE

In PSHE, our topic will be **‘Relationships’** where we will learn about different types of relationships, important qualities, stereotypes and bullying.

Literacy

Newspaper reports
Narrative poetry
Narrative

Mathematics

Shape
Ratio
Percentages
Area and perimeter
Graphs and tables

Science

Evolution and
Inheritance

PSHE

Relationships

Spanish

Art and DT

Textiles and
Masking Making

Music

Guitar lessons

Physical
Development
Cricket and
dance



Art and DT

We will be designing masks inspired by the carnival in South America. We will be using modrock and paint to create them.

Physical Development

We will be learning the rules of **cricket** practising our cricket skills and learning how to play this competitive sport. **Dance** is our indoor sport, we will explore balance, strength and flexibility. Children must bring their **complete PE kit**. PE lessons will take place on
El Salvador: Wednesday and Thursdays.
España: Monday and Friday