

### Important Dates

Paul Delaney visit: 25<sup>th</sup> February 2019

Holiday Homework Celebration Assembly: Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2019

World Book Week: wc 4<sup>th</sup> March

World Book Dress Up Day and assembly: Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2019

Red Nose Day: Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2019

Musical Showcase: Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2019 at 2pm

National History Museum trip: Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2019

Enabling Enterprise Event: 5<sup>th</sup> April 2019 at 9am

Easter Parade: 5<sup>th</sup> April 2019 at 1.15pm

School finishes for term: Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April at 2pm

Summer 1 begins Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April



## Year Three Bolivia and Argentina Spring 2 Term Curriculum Newsletter

### 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. Our focus this half term is the 4 times table including division facts. Please encourage your child to use the Timestable Rockstars app to support their timetables learning.

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.

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

### **Bolivia and Argentina**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the start of a new half term at Alexandra Primary School. We hope you had a restful half term and are ready for an action packed half term.

We have lots of exciting learning planned and are looking forward to the term ahead.

Should you have any concerns or wish to talk to us about your child's progress, please feel free to talk to us after school or make an appointment.

We look forward to working with you and your child.

Miss Seymour, Mrs Conway, Ms Kennedy, Miss Calin, Miss Abiose and Mrs McCann

## Writing

This term we will be writing in a variety of different genres

We will be starting the half term exploring poetry and writing our own, we will then look at *The Jungle Book* and write playscripts based on this classic text. We will end the half term writing persuasive texts linked to the *Enabling Enterprise*.

Our grammar focus will be adjectives, adverbs, present perfect verbs, word families and plural rules.

**Mathematics:** We will recall and practise **3, 4 and 8** timestables and related division facts.

We will learn about fractions of shapes and numbers. We will learn how to count up in tenths and use this knowledge to answer reasoning questions.

We will finish the term consolidating the different calculations we have learnt.

**Geography** We will be exploring the world of Geography. We will look at volcanoes and Earthquakes and use maps to locate these.

We will learn about the history of Pompeii and how and why volcanoes erupt and what impact they have on the world.

**Science:** We will continue to look at forces and magnets for the first part. We will carry out an investigation into the different strengths of magnets.

Half way through, we will then move onto the topic: *Animals and Humans*, where we will explore nutrition and what is needed to fuel our bodies.

## Reading

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

**Literacy**  
Poetry  
Playscripts  
Persuasive writing  
descriptive writing

**Mathematics**  
Fractions  
calculations

**Topic**  
Volcanoes and  
Earthquakes

**Science**  
Forces, Animals and  
Humans

**PSHE**  
Relationships

**RE**  
Judaism

**Spanish**  
Asking and  
Answering  
Questions, oracy

**Physical Development**  
Dance and Basketball

**Music**  
Reading and  
creating music

**Healthy eating**

**D&T**

**Computing**  
We are bloggers



**PSHCE** We will be looking at relationships within friendship groups and our families.

**RE:** This unit explores ideas of what is important in the Jewish religion. We will study the main beliefs, customs and festivals to understand the core principles of this religion and how it is observed.

**Computing** Year 3 will explore the world of blogging and how to use technology safely and respectfully.

**D&T** To link to our *Enabling Enterprise* project, we will explore healthy eating. We will look at food and how we can create a balanced diet.

**Physical Development**  
Children must bring their **complete PE kit every week**.

**Argentina:** Monday (dance) and Friday (Basketball)

**Bolivia:** Monday (basketball) and Friday (dance)