

## MARYLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

## PARENTS' TERMLY NEWSLETTER FOR CLASS 13 AND 14 Autumn Term 2015

We hope you will find the following information useful in understanding the work we will be covering with your child this term. We look forward to a successful year for everyone.

SUBJECT	WORK TO BE COVERED
LITERACY/RWI	The children will be developing their knowledge of specific genres including play scripts, report writing, narratives. They will be developing their knowledge of punctuation such as exclamation marks, question marks, ellipses, speech marks and apostrophes and other aspects of grammar. This will prepare your child for the test in the summer term.
NUMERACY	By the end of year 6, pupils should be fluent in written methods for all four operations, including long multiplication and division, and in working with fractions, decimals and percentages. Children must practice their mental maths daily, using their '5 a day' book and use Mathletics, details of which can be found in the homework diary.
SCIENCE	The autumn term will see children learning about living things and their habitats and animals including humans. They will be making careful observations and measurements and using results to draw conclusions and suggesting explanations for these using scientific knowledge and understanding.
TOPIC	With this Creative Curriculum, there is no longer a separate <b>History</b> , <b>Art</b> or <b>Geography</b> topic. It is all integrated. Our focus this term will be on The Ancient Egyptians. The children will also be looking at British values.
R.E	This unit focuses on some of the ways in which music, art and drama are used to express aspects of faith.
P.E	Our outdoor and indoor sessions will focus on Tag Rugby and 'The Haka'. These lessons will be linked as closely as possible to other subjects for example Numeracy, Science and CPSHE.
ICT	The Year 6 units form a sequence, beginning with one in which the pupils learn about the capabilities of smartphones, think of a problem that a smartphone or tablet app could solve, and then pitch the idea for their app.
MUSIC	Children will listen to the music of The Renaissance period and create their own composition.
CLASS TRIP	Children will be going on a residential trip to Fairplay House. Whilst away children will learn to be independent and work together with others to succeed.
HOME SUPPORT SUGGESTIONS	It would really help if you could try the following with your child: (1) Practice times tables as by the end of year 6, all children are expected to know all their times tables up to 12 times. (2) To look at conversions, for example how many grams in a kilogram, how many millilitres in a litre. (3) To try and read with your child for ten minutes each day. Remember in order to learn successfully, children need to complete their homework independently on a regular basis. Homework needs to be handed in on a Monday.  It is also really important that they attend school on time.  PE is on a Tuesday and Thursday this term. Kit to be brought in Mondays and taken home on Fridays.
PROJECT	Pupils have to research an event that made Britain great. This term your child will be researching the right to vote for women. This can be presented in many ways. Details of the project are in your child's homework diary. The deadline is Wednesday 9th December 2015.