

# Deal Parochial Church of England (Aided) Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back, we hope you have had a restful half term. The children have settled well and have made a good start to the new term.

This half term we will be studying:

## Topic: 'UK City Study' / Royal Marines Heritage Trail

As part of our History Week (25/6/18 – 29/6/18), the pupils will be exploring the Royal Marines Heritage Trail. We will be walking the trail, accompanied by Bill Butler, on the morning of Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June. We will be learning about the Royal Marines in Deal during this week.

## English

In Terms 6, we will be looking at autobiographies, chronological reports and information texts. We will be learning about verbs; adjectives; adverbs; apostrophes in possessives and plurals; prepositions and use of clauses with a wider range of connectives. We will also be focusing on the need to use a range of punctuation (including: commas, exclamation marks, brackets, apostrophes and ellipses); paragraphs and complex and descriptive sentences in their writing. Please continue to encourage your child with their writing and to read at home for at least 15 minutes daily as part of their homework; questioning them to check that they have understood what they have read.

## Mathematics

We will continue to look at the full range of Mathematical concepts including: statistics to solve problems; interpreting bar charts, graphs and tables; Geometry: Properties of Shape and Position and Direction. Please support your child with his/her calculation skills and continue to encourage your child to learn the key addition facts, times tables facts and with learning to tell the time. Please continue to encourage your child to practise their maths at home using the Times Tables Rock Stars programme (the link can be found on the school website).

## Times Tables

Children should continue to practise their x6, x7, x8, x11 and x12 tables. By the end of the Year children in Year 4 should be able to recall multiplication and division facts for multiplication tables up to 12 x 12 quickly.

## RE

This term we will be discussing what it means to be on 'the journey of life' and how different religions address this deep subject!

## Science

As part of our topic on 'Living things and their habitats', pupils will be learning how to:

- Recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways
- Explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment
- Recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things

## Computer Science

This term our topic is 'We are meteorologists'. In this unit, the children will be learning how to understand different measurement techniques for weather, record some weather data, use spreadsheets to create charts, analyse data, explore inconsistencies in data, make predictions and present their data.

## Spelling

This term we will continue to learn to spell the words on the Year 3 and 4 wordlist from the New framework.



## Homework

Monday: Homework due in. New spellings sent home.

Thursday: Homework sent home.

Friday: Spelling test

## P.E.

Wednesday: Indoor PE – Multi Skills

Tuesday: Outdoor PE –Athletics and Rounders

Please ensure your child has the appropriate kit, inc. a jumper/sweatshirt (for the cold days), a suitable sun hat (in case we have a hot day!) and suitable footwear. **School shoes are not permitted for PE lessons.** Long hair should be tied back and earrings removed for PE. If for any reason, your child is not able to take part in PE please send a note to let me know, otherwise we will expect a child to take part.

Please apply sun cream to your child before they come to school; you are welcome to send in a bottle of sun lotion to keep in school for 'top ups' during the day. Please label with your child's name. Also in the warmer weather please ensure your child has a refillable water bottle (labelled). It is essential during the summer term.

We would like to remind children that jewellery (other than a wristwatch) and nail varnish are not permitted. Please ensure that all items of uniform including coats and PE kit are clearly labelled with your child's name.

## Dates to remember:

Monday 9 July – Wildwood Trip

Monday 23 July – Leavers Service / Last day of Term

We look forward to a busy and exciting end to the year. Please do come and see us at the end of the day if you have any queries or concerns about your child this term.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Debra Cluff, Mrs Dawn Theaker and Miss Collister

