

# Deal Parochial Church of England (Aided) Primary School

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Our topics and timetables change again after half term for this busy lead up to Christmas. A particular change is Forest School as our outside activity – this will be on a Wednesday.

We will be continuing forces before moving onto our **Science** topic of Earth and Space. We will be using this as a theme for work in many subjects, including Literacy. In **Computing Science** we will be looking at vector drawings and our **Digital Literacy** topic will be looking at online relationships and profiles. In **History** we will be investigating the question 'Why did Britain once rule the largest empire the world has ever seen?'.

**Numeracy:** We will be continuing multiplication and division, followed by graphs and area and perimeter. Times table knowledge is essential, so please support your child in continuing to learn these.

**Religious Education:** We will be continuing to follow the Understanding Christianity units and this term's focus will be: 'Incarnation: was Jesus the Messiah?'

**Forest School:** We have the fantastic opportunity to take part in Forest School this year. This starts on the 3<sup>rd</sup> November through to 8<sup>th</sup> December. We will be continuing on from where Year 6 finished to help build up this new focus for our school. This will be on **Wednesdays** and will be run by Mr Humphreys who is a trained forest school teacher. Please can children come in dressed for Forest School on this day – they will be building, cutting and moving lots of materials so it is important that they wear clothes that are suitable and not brand new! We will be out whatever the weather so if it looks like rain please could they bring a waterproof and wellies into school for the afternoon. Other footwear will be needed for the rest of the school day please.

There is also an after school club on that day to continue with the skills learnt during the sessions; please see the separate letter for details about this.

**Homework:** As well as daily reading and spelling practice, the children will continue to be given **homework** on a regular basis. Homework will continue to be given out on a Wednesday and due back by the following Monday. New spellings are given out on a Monday – I have attached this term's spellings with this letter. There will also be **optional** additional homework on Sats Companion for those who wish to complete it.

Thank you for your continued support.  
Yours sincerely,

Mrs M Bowles and Miss J Collister

