

Curriculum News Year 1/2

IVY CHIMNEYS

Spring Term 2016

Welcome Back!

COMING UP THIS TERM

Year 2 SATs meeting for parents	9/2 at 2.30 pm
Learning Conferences	15/3 & 17/3
Elm Class Assembly	22/1
Chestnut Class Assembly	4/3
Birch Class Assembly	18/3
Morning reading Elm	Tues
Morning Reading Birch	Thurs
Morning Reading Chestnut	Fri
Pre-teach Maths	Thurs pm
Trip to the Bethnal Green Museum of Childhood	TBC

HOMEWORK

- Read at home everyday— use Bug Club too! Books will only be changed if an adult has signed the reading diary.
- Learn spellings given out on Fridays.
- Learn times tables (starting with counting forwards and backwards in steps of 2, 10 and 5). These will be rewarded as the children learn them.
- English homework and handwriting homework will be given out alternate Fridays.
- Mathematics homework will be set every week on Fridays.

This term we have some exciting things planned for Elm, Birch and Chestnut classes. Our topic this term is 'Let's Play' which is all about toys and childhood. We will learn about toys and games from the past and compare them to the present.

We will look at a range of modern and older toys so if you have any toys for our parents and grandparents toy displays we would really appreciate them.

In English we will begin by looking at fairytales and traditional stories. We will also be learning about information texts and poetry.

Maths will focus on a range of areas this term, including number bonds, addition and subtraction, and 2D and 3D shapes. We will also learn strategies for multiplication and division, such as arrays.



Let's Play



In Geography the children will learn about games from around the world and will use atlases and world maps.

During D&T we will be making puppets, linked to fairy tales and traditional stories. We will use these to perform our own puppet shows.

In Science the children will learn about electricity, including making a simple circuit and designing their own electric toys. After half term, we will be learning about forces, linked to moveable toys, such as pushing and pulling toy cars.

In music we will be exploring blues and reggae music.

In ICT this term we will be becoming photographers and developing our photography skills by taking pictures of toys. After half-term we will be linking photos together to create stop-motion animations.

In R.E the focus will be finding out about Judaism, including learning about the Torah, the synagogue and Hanukkah.

In PSHE we will be thinking about our friends and families and identifying people who can help us.



P.E for Birch class is on Mondays and Fridays.

P.E for Elm class is on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

PE for Chestnut class is on Tuesdays and Fridays.

Please make sure your child has their P.E kit ready for P.E days. Also, girls must have long hair tied back and no earrings should be worn on P.E days.



Please lend us your old toys to show in our museums.