

We are learning lots of new topics this term:

Science

Materials
Moving with pushes and pulls.



Geography

Finding out about Tocuaro in Mexico and comparing it to our local area.



History

Significant Individuals—
Florence Nightingale (2nd half term)

Computing

Writing simple programs

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Christianity and special books. We will be visiting Leicester Cathedral—more information to follow.



Music

Listen to music, sing to music and play along with percussion instruments.

PE

Gymnastics and Dance (indoor)
Games (outdoor)

Daily Boost

We try to do 10 minutes of exercise every day—weather permitting. The children change into their trainers and do a range of activities, such as running, skipping, hoola hooping on the playground.

How you can help

Please ensure that your **child reads to you for at least 10 minutes at home every night** and you record this clearly in their reading record. They get a raffle ticket every time they have their book signed and can win a prize at the end of term.

Talk about the characters, settings and events in the story. Ask your child questions to help develop their understanding. Encourage your child to look for interesting words. They should bring their book bag to school **every day please**.

Read stories, poems and rhymes to and with your child. Visit the library together and find books about class topics.



Provide opportunities for your child to write: encourage them to write shopping lists, birthday cards or letters to a relative. Ask them to say the sentence first before they write it. Encourage them to have a go and use their phonics.

Supervise them while they do their homework but don't be tempted to do it for them! Help them to check it and see if they can improve what they have done.

Ensure your child arrives at school on time so they can make a prompt start to learning.
Doors open 8.40.
Registration begins at 8.50.

Please ensure your children are supervised before the classroom doors are opened.



Glenfield Primary School



Information for Parents Spring 2020

Year 2
Observers—Mrs Jameson
Enquirers—Mrs Quinn

We have an **English** lesson every day. In English we will be learning about a range of fiction and non-fiction texts.

In fiction, we will be focusing on:

- Traditional tales and fairy tales

In non-fiction, we will be focusing on:

- Writing instructional texts
- Writing information texts
- Spelling, punctuation and grammar.

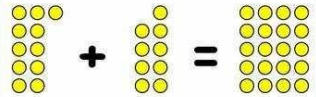
We will also be exploring poetry, focusing on pattern and rhyme.

We have a **Maths** lesson every day. In Maths we are learning:

- Calculations
- Fractions
- Data handling
- Problem solving
- Mental Maths
- 2D and 3D shapes and measure

You can help by help your child learn:

- The 2, 3, 5 and 10 times tables.
- Number bonds to 20 and 100.
- To tell the time to the nearest 15 minutes.

$$11 + 9 = 20$$


Every afternoon we have a **phonics session**. This helps us to read and write words. In this lesson the children will review tricky words, learn a new sound, practise the new sound within words and apply it within sentences. They will also look at the different rules for adding suffixes and prefixes onto words.



We also have a **guided reading** every afternoon.. Sometimes we read in small groups to the teacher, answering questions about the text. Sometimes we work as a whole class to discuss books together, focussing on vocabulary and the different types of comprehension we might come across in our SATs.



Reminder

Children should have PE kits and plimsolls in school all week. As the weather is colder, PE kits need warm clothes and appropriate outdoor footwear.

If your child wears earrings please ensure they can take them out independently or please provide tape for them to use to cover their earrings. This is to ensure no accidents occur.

Book List

This is a suggested list of books you could read with your child at home.

Fantastic Mr. Fox
The cat that scratched
The owl who was afraid of the dark
The mouse hole cat
Can't you sleep little bear?

Spellings—Spellings will be given out every Friday linked to the Phonics phase that your child is working at. Please encourage your child to write their spellings in sentences. These will need to be completed and handed in on Wednesday. Your child will be tested on their spellings on a Friday.

Mental Maths

We will be putting a mental maths sheet into homework books every Friday. This is to help support our maths in class. All children who complete this extra sheet will earn 2 dojos.

Homework—Children have a new homework grid in their books. They should complete one task per week and hand it in on a Wednesday.

If you have any questions or queries about your child's learning or wellbeing please do not hesitate to ask or arrange a meeting.

The children have worked incredibly hard during the Autumn term and we thank you for all your support so far during this academic year.