

As we start the new school year, we hope that this overview provides you with a little more information about the subjects the children will be learning about this term.



Our History topic this term is Ancient Greece. We will be looking at Ancient Greek civilisation and culture as our main History and Geography topics.

In Science, our topic will be Earth and Space. Pupils will be taught to describe the movement of the Earth and other planets relative to the sun in the solar system. The children will describe the movement of the moon relative to the Earth, describe the sun, Earth and moon as spherical bodies and use the idea of the Earth's rotation to explain day and night.

In PHSE we will consider what it means to think positively. The children will explore the elements of a balanced, healthy lifestyle, strategies to respond to feelings, choices and consequences and being present. After half term, the children will also explore people we love, thinking before you act, it is ok to disagree and strategies for recognising and managing peer influence. The children will continue to look at the importance of British Values.

In R.E. children will be learning through stories about 'Why Hindus want to be good' as well thinking about 'why the Torah is so important to Jewish people.'

In Art and Design, pupils will be recreating ancient Greek pots using sculpting skill. They will also be completing fine line drawing with London landmarks being a focus.



In Computing, children will be learning about programming. Online safety will continue to be a focus, please discuss this with your child especially if you allow them to go online with social media including games and conversations.



The children will be taught French by Mrs Savidge who has joined us at the start of this year. They will be learning about dates and pets.

In P.E. lessons, children will be following units linked to balancing and tennis. Children need to come to school in their P.E. uniform on their allocated P.E. days.

Amblecote Primary P.E. Uniform is:

- Plain black or navy shorts (No logos). These are required for all indoor PE lessons. Shorts should be of an appropriate length
- Plain white round neck t-shirt (No logos)
- Plain black or navy jogging bottoms
- Plain black or navy sweatshirt/zip up jacket for outdoor lessons in cold weather (No logos)
- A pair of plain sports trainers - suitable for outdoor P.E. (no converse or high tops)
- White or grey ankle socks

Children will need to keep a pair of black pumps in a drawstring style pump bag kept in school, for indoor P.E. in the hall.

For health and safety reasons children are not permitted to wear earrings for PE under any circumstances. Long hair must be tied up for P.E. lessons.

In Literacy we will be reading texts/watching clips that involve stories by famous authors, non-fiction and a variety of narrative texts, including poetry. This term, our class text is the wonderful *The London Eye Mystery*. We will be following the Spelling Shed Spelling scheme where children will be taught spelling patterns and rules.

Please help your child by:

- Encouraging your child to read from a wide range of materials, and support them to sign their diary;
- Discussing their reading to ensure understanding;
- To practise the spellings with them.

In Maths we will be covering all areas of the Maths curriculum. It is important that the children practise their tables at home. Please help your child by:

- Encouraging them to **practise their tables** and the corresponding division facts. Children, by Yr5, should know all the tables.



SATs Preparation for Year 6 only

SATs week, week beginning Monday 12th May. More details to follow nearer the time.

Key information:

Day	What's happening
Monday	Reading diaries checked and stars awarded. Homework club - lunchtime with Miss O'Connor 5H (Indoor PE) 6O (Indoor PE)
Tuesday	5/6J (Outdoor PE)
Wednesday	6O (Outdoor PE) 5/6J (Indoor PE) Mrs Cook's Maths Homework set & due in - including TTRockstars
Thursday	5H (Outdoor PE) All other Homework set & due in - including TTRockstars
Friday	Spellings - previous weeks spellings are tested and new words to learn are set.

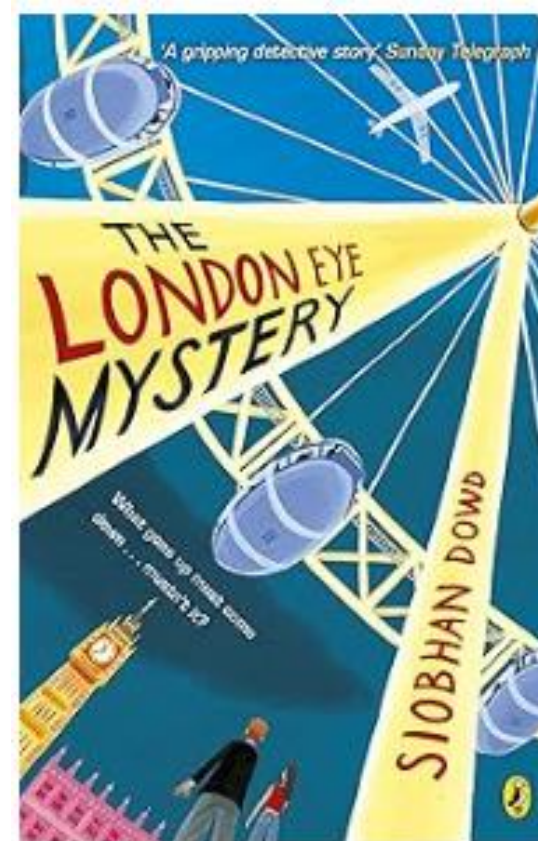
Please remember children need to have a named water bottle in school: only water please!

As always if you need to contact us or have any questions, please contact us via ClassDojo. Any important/urgent messages please contact the school office - teachers will not be able to check Dojo whilst they are teaching.

Any information we need to pass on will be shared on ClassDojo. Occasionally P.E. days may change, we will notify you of this through ClassDojo also.

Thank you for your continued support,

Miss O'Connor, Mrs Jones, Miss Hughes and Mrs Barstow (Learning Cave provision)



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We hope that our overview of this term's topic will provide you with ideas of how to help your child at home.