



Iver Village Junior School

TEACHERS: Miss Bjorck and Miss Parveen	
PE	This Term Year 4 PE is taught on a Tuesday and Friday by our Sport Coach - Mr Hawkes. Please ensure your child comes prepared for their PE lessons with the correct PE kit and that it is named.
SPELLINGS	Each week your child will be given spellings for the following week. Children will be tested every Thursday on the spellings for the previous week.
READING HOMEWORK	Daily reading and discussion about their book. Please make sure your child is reading every day and that you have signed their blue reading record book. Please ensure that your child has their reading record and book in school every day. Don't forget to encourage your child to read the Bug Club books too!
HOMEWORK TIMETABLE	Friday- Maths and English homework set each week. Wednesday- Homework handed back in to class teacher; if this does not happen then your child will complete their homework on Thursday lunchtime.
PROJECT HOMEWORK	The optional project homework for this term is all about Electricity. The children can select a project from those suggested or they can create one of their own. This homework is handed out on the 12 th January 2017 and should be returned by the 29 th March 2017.
To support your child this half term you could: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Encourage and support their reading at home - please remember you can also use Bug Club.• Help your child to practise their times tables.• Ensure they bring the correct equipment to school, including PE kit.• Research the Ancient Egyptians and the British Monarchy in preparation for our history topics.• Identify household appliance which use electricity in preparation for our science topic on Electricity.• Share any newspapers you have at home discussing their features and looking at the style and vocabulary used.	
For some detail of what we'll be covering in each of our subjects please look at our curriculum map.	



English

Reading will be a focus during guided reading sessions; children will be given the strategies and skills to develop into fluent, independent readers. During English and publishing lessons children will focus on developing their writing abilities and will advance in their understanding of different genres. There will be a focus on editing where the children develop critical thinking skills enabling them to change their work so that it is more effective and fit for purpose. Within this term we will cover non-chronological reports, letters, newspaper reports, narrative and poetry. In addition, spelling and grammar will have a weekly focus.

Maths

We will focus on developing a deep and thorough understanding of the four operations. Calculation will involve whole numbers, fractions, decimals and percentages and will initiate understanding of the links between these. Another focus will be on solving problems involving time and money by relating these to practical, everyday situations. Children will work on their problem solving by developing an understanding of mathematical vocabulary. They will be able to reason mathematically by discussing methods chosen.

French

How do I develop my French vocabulary? How do I speak and understand numbers, birthdays, days of the week, months of the year and weather in French? How do I ask and answer questions? How do I say when my birthday is? Can I ensure I have correct pronunciation?

Humanities:

Ancient Egyptians

How do I locate ancient Egypt in time and place? What was the landscape like? Who was Tutankhamen? Why are artefacts important in helping us find out about the past? What was life like in ancient Egypt? What were the ancient Egyptian beliefs on life and death?

British Monarchy

How can I understand what a constitutional monarchy is? How can I understand the role of the government? How can I understand the changes to the role of the British monarch over history? Who were notable monarchs of the past?

Music

How can I create my own music composition with others?

Art

How can I explore the work of the artist Monet? How can I create my own painting using the impressionist style?

Science

Electricity

What is electricity and how does it travel? What are electrical conductors and insulators? How can I make a complete series circuit? How does a switch work? Can I make my own effective switch using my knowledge of electrical conductors?

Changing State

What are the three states of matter? What are the specific properties of the three states of matter? What is an atom? How are atoms different in the different states of matter?

RE

Symbolism:

How is our community changing? What effect is this change having? How does symbolism play a role in the different religions?

Computing

How can I compose my own piece of music and record it using computer software? How can I use computers and the internet whilst also ensuring I keep myself safe online?

PE

How can I develop my rhythm, coordination and motor skills? How can I create routines in gymnastics and dance? Can I develop my coordination skills and control of a hockey ball? How can I develop my stamina whilst running long distances?

PSHE

How do I become a resilient learner? How can I ensure I am a good friend to others?