

## **Blossom Curriculum Newsletter**

Spring Term 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year! We hope you had an enjoyable and relaxing break and are now ready for the new term! There is lots of exciting learning coming up in Blossom, the details of which are outlined below. Remember, to keep using Seesaw for regular updates and pictures of our work!



During this term, the majority of our English lessons will be based on Gregory Cool (Caroline Binch) and the poetry of Benjamin Zephaniah. This has strong links to our Topic of Caribbean Dreams.





Reading is incredibly important and each child in Blossom has their own reading book, which is sent home every night and our hope is that every child reads to an adult / has an adult read to them, every day. We will visit the library every week on a Thursday, where each child is encouraged to pick a book of their choice to read at their leisure.



In Maths we will be continuing to work through Power Maths, using a variety of resources to help with our learning and build on our understanding of Maths.

This term we will be looking at Multiplication and Division, Area and Fractions.

We will continue to work hard on learning our times tables, using a variety of strategies, as this is a skill which underpins many areas of maths.

Please remember, in addition to any Mathletics homework given out, that Mathletics has a range of helpful tools to support and consolidate your child's learning.



In Science we will continue our learning about Living Things in their Habitat. After finishing this we will move onto to learn all about Electricity and Sound.

This term's topic is Caribbean Dreams, as part of this, the children will learn about the Geography, History, Art and Music of the Caribbean with a focus on Saint Lucia. We will also be comparing Saint Lucia to Flackwell Heath.





For homework, Blossom children will have reading, spelling and Mathletics, as well as one other piece of work, linked to our learning from that week, to complete. Homework should not be a struggle to complete and is a way of supporting the learning that has taken place in class. If you have any worries or questions about the Homework set, please do not hesitate to contact us on Seesaw.

## Occupational Therapy and Speech Therapy

The Occupational Therapist will be in Blossom on Tuesdays and Speech and Language Therapist will be with us on Fridays. During their time in Blossom, they will work with the children on an individual, small group or whole class basis and will also support us with ways we can use some Occupational Therapy and Speech and Language Therapy within our teaching in Blossom.

We will also have a focus on Life Skills, to support the Blossom children with the skills to help them in real life and social situations, when not in the classroom.

As the children in Blossom return to their mainstream classes for some of their learning, you will also receive a copy of their year group's curriculum letters as well.

If you have any questions about your child or their work, please do not hesitate to contact us via Seesaw or through the school office.

We are looking forward to an exciting term in Blossom, full of lots of learning and some fun !

Yours sincerely, Mrs Cox