





Truro Learning Academy **Learning Journey**

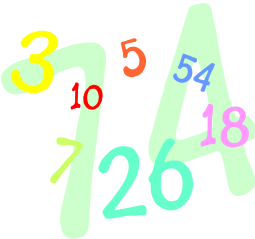



Our termly work and how you can support your child.




Autumn Term 2	Year Group 4/5	Theme Victorians
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Dear Parents

Please find attached the programme of learning your child will be following this term. There are many ways in which you can help your child at school but the most effective way is to show an interest and to encourage your son or daughter to talk to you about what he or she is learning in school.

<p style="text-align: center;">English</p> 	<p>This term Pentire class will be learning all about the wonderful story set in Victorian times called 'Tom's Midnight Garden'. We will be learning the story, innovating then inventing a new story based on the key events of the book. Moving into December, we will be finding out about the traditional Christmas tale of Papa Panov. We will be exploring themes in the story and we will be adapting them for our own writing. Each lesson will have a grammar focus where we will learning new grammar and punctuation features and applying that to our writing. We will also be completing handwriting exercises throughout the week in order to uphold high standards of presentation in our school books.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">How you can help</p> 	<p>Please listen to your child read regularly and record your comments in their reading diary. We do expect the children to be reading every night. Support your child with any reading or written homework. Please bring your reading book in daily.</p> <p>Encourage your child to read a range of texts as well as school reading books, e.g. papers and magazines and perhaps a weekly comic. If you find anything from newspapers for magazines that are particularly relevant to our topic work, please send them in as we can discuss them in class and display them on our class notice board.</p>

<p>Mathematics</p> 	<p>Within year 4 and 5 there will be a focus on times table knowledge and understanding. We will be applying these skills in solving 'real life' maths problems this term. The topics we will be covering within maths are percentages, fractions, ratio, proportion, interpreting data and time.</p>
<p>How you can help</p> 	<p>Look to use any mathematical opportunities in the everyday world, such as getting your child to use money such as buying small items in shops and counting the change or looking at the prices of groceries when you do the shopping. Helping with cooking and weighing out ingredients or reading timetables e.g. the television schedules. Telling the time at home can help. Learning mental addition and subtraction and times tables too.</p>
<p>Science</p> 	<p>This term we will be learning all about the production of sound. We will be finding out how sound is made, how it travels and how it can be measured. We will be discovering how musical instruments are created and how pitch and volume vary.</p>
<p>How you can help</p>	<p>Talk about the topic they are learning in school. Look at some websites with your children e.g. www.sciencenet.org.uk or www.bbc.co.uk/learningzone/schools. From time to time we will ask children to collect information from home, or fill in data sheets. Please support your child with this wherever possible.</p>
<p>Topic Work Including History/Geography</p>	<p>This term's focus will be the 'Victorian era' in History. We will be learning all about what life was like in Victorian times and studying themes such as daily life, entertainment, literature and architecture. We will be finding out about the importance of Truro in the Victorian period and we will be looking for key evidence of the Victorian period within the city.</p>
<p>Art, Music and Design Technology</p> 	<p>Linking in with our topic work, we will be completing some self-portrait painting and cameo paintings which were fashionable in the Victorian period.</p>

<p style="text-align: center;">PE</p> 	<p>Please ensure that your child has a PE kit in school from Monday to Friday. The children will be going outside and will need suitable outside kit including trainers or plimsolls. A letter will be sent home if the correct kit as not been supplied.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Social, Moral, spiritual and cultural.</p>	<p>The children will be able to develop their spiritual, moral, social and cultural development through their curriculum work and activities. Their topic this term will provide them with opportunities to appreciate the significance of their British history and heritage and how key events have shaped their culture and identity.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">RE</p> 	<p>This term in RE we will be learning about the theme 'becoming an adult'. We will be exploring how different world religions and cultures celebrate growing up. We will be finding out about 'Bah Mitzvah's, baptisms, Amrit ceremonies and how different faiths and cultures create a sense of belonging within their prospective communities.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">ICT</p> 	<p>Within ICT the class will have the opportunity to produce google docs presentations and PowerPoints. We will be researching themes and ideas in our topic work and will be using programs such as 'language nut and 'Ren' reading to practice and improve reading and literacy.</p>

Reminders:

In addition children should bring their reading book, reading diary and book bag to school each day.

Reading is the most important part of homework.

Please hand in homework every Wednesday morning

Reading helps children in all other areas of the curriculum.

We want children to have a love of books and read for pleasure.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind Regards

Mrs Binding and Mrs Buist
Year 4 and 5 Teachers