

**P3A Termly Update  
Session 2016-17  
Term 4**

**Class News**

Welcome back! We hope you all enjoyed your Easter holidays and are ready for lots of hard work and fun in Term 4. This term our topic will be Farm to Fork – we have lots of fun things planned.

**Weekly Timetable**

Monday	PE with Mrs Thomson
Tuesday	PE with Mrs Crawford OTTER Clubs
Wednesday	Science with Miss Harper Library

**This Term's Learning**

**Literacy and English...**

We will be learning about...

This term we will continue to improve our phonic knowledge using a range of active techniques. We will be using the VCOP (vocabulary, connectives, openers and punctuation) approach to extend our work and build upon our confidence in writing; this will be demonstrated in both the imaginative and non-fiction styles of written work that we produce. We will develop our reading skills through engaging in a variety of texts both independently and in groups, and we will demonstrate our understanding of these texts through ongoing discussion and comprehension work. We will practise our listening and talking skills by sharing our learning in ways such as presenting information posters/leaflets in class, and also in the delivery of a prepared talk to the class.

**Mathematics...**

We will be learning about...

This term we will be learning about patterns and symmetry, position and direction, and fractions. We will continue working on numbers to 1000 including adding and subtracting numbers to 100, sequencing numbers to 100, and working on addition and subtraction to 20. We will also be looking at multiplication and division.

**Across the Curriculum...**

We will be learning about...

This term our **Topic** will be Farm to Fork. We will be learning about where our food comes from, what plants need to make them grow, food chains, living and non-living and Fairtrade. We will be linking **Health and Wellbeing** into our topic this term as we learn about the human body, the importance of eating a balanced diet, and things we can do to keep our bodies healthy. In **Science** we are focusing our learning on forces, magnets, plants and the water cycle.

**Home Learning Arrangements**

Home learning tasks will usually go home on a Monday and be due back in on a Thursday. Some home learning tasks, usually topic related, may have a longer time frame but this will be detailed in home learning jotters. Please encourage your child to present their home learning as neatly as they can. Please can a parent/carer at home sign completed homework. In addition to home learning tasks, reading will be sent home twice a week. Please support your child in practising their reading and sign their reading record once it is completed. Please can children bring their reading books into school every day as there will be reading lessons or activities occurring every day.

**Class Notes**

**PE Kits** - Please ensure that your child has an indoor and outdoor kit. This will include shorts and indoor gym shoes along with warmer clothing and outdoor trainers. We will go outside as much as possible so please ensure that this kit is in school at all times. Please ensure all belongings are named.

**Art Apron** – Please send an art apron in for messy activities – an old baggy t-shirt is perfect.

**Water Bottles** - Please ensure that your child has a water bottle that has only water in it. Our classroom can get very warm so the children will be provided with plenty of opportunities throughout the day to have a drink if they want one.