




Welcome to Chestnut  
class



# Staff

- ▶ Class teacher – Mr Huxtable
  - ▶ PPA cover – Mrs Wearne (Wednesday morning)
  - ▶ Teaching Assistants – Mrs Matthews, Miss Cavener
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# Timetable

	8:45-9:00	Session 1	Session 2	10:40-10:55	10:55-11:10	11:10-12:15 Session 3	12:15-1:15	1:15-1:25	1:25-2:15	2:15-3:05	3:05-3:15
<b>Mon</b>	DEAR 1:1 Readers	<u>Guided Reading</u> <u>Rethink Reading</u>	<u>English</u>	<u>Mr Pepper assembly</u>	Break	<u>Maths</u>	Lunch	<u>Maths</u>	<u>History</u>	<u>Computing</u>	CLASS STORY FROM READING SPINE
<b>Tues</b>	DEAR 1:1 Readers	<u>Spelling and Handwriting</u> <u>Maths</u>	<u>English</u>	<u>Singing assembly</u>		<u>Maths</u>		<u>Maths</u>	<u>Science</u>	<u>PE</u>	
<b>Wed</b>	DEAR 1:1 Readers	<u>Music</u>	<u>English</u>	<u>Maths</u>		<u>1-1 Read</u>		<u>Geography</u>	<u>Art</u>		
<b>Thurs</b>	DEAR 1:1 Readers	<u>Guided reading</u> <u>Cracking comprehension</u>	<u>English</u>	<u>Maths</u>		<u>Maths</u>		<u>French</u>	<u>PE Arena</u>		
<b>Fri</b>	<u>Celebration Assembly</u>	<u>Spelling test</u> <u>09:20-09:50</u>	<u>English</u>	<u>Maths</u>		<u>1-1 Read</u>		<u>RE</u>	<u>PSHE</u>		



# Homework

- ▶ Children will be given a list of spellings to practise every week. These will be tested on Friday.
- ▶ The homework will also consist of a maths task to build their knowledge of the content taught through the week. This will be using atom learning.
- ▶ Children should read at least 4 times a week.
- ▶ Homework is given out on Friday and should be completed by Thursday.

# Curriculum

## ENGLISH

Our first English unit this term will be based on the text 'Jack and the Dream sack'. We will have a heavy focus on using adverbs of time, place and manner, using expanded noun phrases to add detail and beginning to use paragraphs in writing. Our next unit will focus on poetry and creating a poem travelling through different landscapes 'A River'. The children will continue to be involved in daily guided reading sessions and regular handwriting activities. Reading continues to be a high priority. We ask you to support this by reading regularly at home and making comments in the home school link book.

## SCIENCE

In Science we will be finding out about forces and magnets. We will be investigating different pulling and pushing forces (such as friction and gravity) that we can see in the world and ones that we can create ourselves. We will then further investigate the force of magnetism and how magnets attract and repel. We will also be investigating which different materials are magnetic and which ones are not.

## COMPUTING

This term our computing topics are 'sending an email'. We will learn about cyberbullying and fake emails. We will gain an understanding of what different components of a computer do.

## MATHEMATICS

Learning in Maths will begin by consolidating our understanding of place value, unpicking what numbers represent. We will then focus on developing our addition and subtraction by adding 1s and 10s across 10, using inverse operations and finding complements to 100. Throughout the term we will be further working on problem solving and reasoning skills to deepen the children's understanding of mathematics. The children will be involved in a variety of practical learning experiences both inside and outside of the classroom.

## Geography

This term our topic will be rivers. We will be looking at how rivers such as the Indus have shaped the land. We will also investigate how rivers begin and look into the water cycle.

## History

In our History learning this term, we will be learning about the people of Ancient Egypt. We will be investigating the archaeologist Howard Carter and what life was like for the Egyptians and how this has changed over time.

## ART

Our artwork this term will be gestural drawing with charcoal. The children will contrast the work of Edgar Degas and Laura McKendry. They will create their own cave art, inspired by historic and contemporary images.

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<p><b>FRENCH</b></p> <p>Our French is taught using the Rachel Hawkes scheme. The children will begin to learn different sounds in French and how they are spelt. Our focus will be In class and at home.</p>	<p><b>PSHE</b></p> <p>This term our PSHE theme is 'Being Me In My World'. We will discuss our hopes and fears for the year as well as rewards and consequences within class and how we can make our school a safe and fair place. Our PSHE is taught using the Jigsaw scheme.</p>
<p><b>PE</b></p> <p>PE is on Tuesday and Thursday. Please check that your child has the correct PE kit and their shoes are the right size. The children will be focussing on Dance and Football.</p>	<p><b>RE</b></p> <p>This half term we will be focussing on Hinduism. We will be learning about the importance and origin of famous stories in the hindu religion such as the story of Rama and Sita.</p>
<p><b>INFORMATION</b></p> <p><b>PE:</b> Full PE kits need to be in school every day. PE kits should be named. Please check that your child's PE shoes fit and they have a complete kit in readiness for sports day.</p> <p><b>Homework:</b> set every Friday and must be completed by the following Thursday. Children will be given weekly spellings as well as Maths homework. These spellings are part of the Year 3 National Curriculum and will be tested every Friday.</p> <p><b>Reading:</b> Please read with your child at least 4 times each week. Children will get the chance to change their books and complete 'Accelerated Reader' quizzes during the school day.</p> <p><b>Maths:</b> Please encourage your child/children to practise their times tables weekly using Times Tables Rockstars, which they can access using their login details.</p> <p>Please make sure that your child has a water bottle in school every day. I look forward to meeting you throughout the year.</p>	


# Spellings

## Year 3 and 4 Statutory Spellings



accident	calendar	eight	guide	mention	possession	straight
accidentally	caught	eighth	heard	minute	possible	strange
actual	centre	enough	heart	natural	potatoes	strength
actually	century	exercise	height	naughty	pressure	suppose
address	certain	experience	history	notice	probably	surprise
although	circle	experiment	imagine	occasion	promise	therefore
answer	complete	extreme	important	occasionally	purpose	though
appear	consider	famous	increase	often	quarter	thought
arrive	continue	favourite	interest	opposite	question	through
believe	decide	February	island	ordinary	recent	various
bicycle	describe	forward	knowledge	particular	regular	weight
breath	different	forwards	learn	peculiar	reign	woman
breathe	difficult	fruit	length	perhaps	remember	women
build	disappear	grammar	library	popular	sentence	
busy	early	group	material	position	separate	
business	earth	guard	medicine	possess	special	



# General Information

- Tuesday and Thursday are our PE days.
  - Homework will be handed out on Fridays to be returned by the following Thursday.
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- ▶ If you have any questions or queries, please don't hesitate to send an email to the school office or catch me at the door at the beginning or end of the day.