## **Cherry Platts: Curriculum Information Letter**

Teacher: Miss Bateman

LSAs: Mrs Hance, Ms Shaw, Mrs Grogan

**Homework:** Is sent home on a Friday and consists of a weekly spelling list and a reading,

writing, SPAG or Maths task. **To be completed by the following:** Thursday

**Reading Records** – Handed in and checked on Monday

**Spelling Test:** Friday

**PE –** Friday (swimming) and Thursday (Game On). Please make sure that your child has their full PE kit in school each week for a Thursday and their swim kit on a Friday.

**Reading:** Please read with your child at least 5 times each week. Once you have heard your child read, please sign with a comment about your child's reading. Your child can share and record their own comments about their reading too. Reading and recording 6 or 7 times a week consistently will earn a space at the readers' tea!

## **Summer Curriculum**

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We will be writing poetry, narrative and persuasive texts. We will study poems by
Alan Bold, write a persuasive piece on plastic pollution and read The Explorer by
Katherine Rundell.
The focus this term will be on further developing and securing your child's
understanding of calculating using decimals, position and direction including
graphs, volume and capacity, converting between units and properties of 2D and
3D shapes.
We will be continuing our topic of living things and their habitats. This will include
studying the life cycles of birds, mammals, amphibians and insects.
We will be enjoying the challenges of using Excel and programming Isle of Sound
to develop our coding skills.
We will locate the continent of Africa and identify some of the countries within it and
explore the landscape looking at both the physical and human geographical
features.
Our key questions this term will encourage us to explore how Christianity and Islam
help people of faith to live their lives.
With Game On, we will be focussing on cricket and athletics skills. On Fridays, we
will go swimming as part of the PE curriculum.
Initially linked to science, we will study the form of plants and explore pencil lines
and colour to produce quality artwork. Then, we will study African art and artists.
We will be developing our understanding of lyrics and melody using Charanga.
We will explore the importance of building healthy relationships and look at how our
bodies and emotions will experience changes through puberty.
We will be learning and practising vocabulary to discuss clothing and the Olympics.
We will be doing lots of work to prepare us for our residential visit to Woodrow House.

## <u>Possible family visits/ activities which would</u> <u>enrich your child's learning:</u>

- Visit the British Museum, looking through the artefacts related to Africa.
- Visit a zoo and identify any animals that live in the African wildlife.
- Cook using African foods and recipes.

## Practical ways to support your child's learning:

- Please work with your child to consolidate their times tables up to 12 X 12 and their related division facts. For example, 7 x 8 = 56. 56 / 8 = 7.
- Encourage your child to read a range of fiction and non-fiction books. Discuss the books your child has read and read together. If you are looking for recommendations, please use this website: https://www.thereaderteacher.com/year5
- Help with weekly spellings, making sure they also understand the meaning of the words and can use them cohesively within a sentence.