



PE lessons are every **Tuesday and Thursday (Scarlet) Thursday and Friday (Orange) and Wednesday and Friday (Silver)**. Please ensure your child has suitable kit for both indoor and outdoor PE in all seasons. Either plimsolls or trainers, blue or black plain shorts / jogging bottoms and a blue or white t-shirt.

Home Reading

Return your reading book and yellow diary every day. Remember, **you need read at home** with an adult so that you can achieve **100%** in your reading quizzes!



Homework is given out every half term and must be returned by the dates indicated on the homework sheet. If you need help, see you class teacher **before the hand in dates**.

Earning Multiplication Awards

	Year 3	Year 4
Bronze	Recite 4x and 8x tables and identify random facts.	Recite the 6x, 7x, 9x, 11x, 12x tables
Silver	Identify random multiplication facts for 2x, 3x, 4x, 5x, 8x and 10x tables.	Recite random facts for all multiplication tables up to 12 x 12
Gold	Derive division facts for 2x, 3x, 4x, 5x, 8x and 10x tables.	Derive division facts from all tables up to 12x12.

Fell Dyke Community Primary School

Curriculum Information



Spring Term 1 and 2
Years 3 & 4

This term, our theme is ...

Fair is Fair



Useful Website Links

- BBC Bitesize**
<http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/> (engaging English and Maths games)
- Cool Maths Games**
<http://www.coolmath-games.com> (exciting Maths challenges)
- Fairtrade**
<http://www.fairtrade.org.uk/>
- Facts about Fairtrade**
<http://www.funkidslive.com/learn/environment/f-is-for-fairtrade/>



Places to Visit

In Years 3 & 4, we are learning about Fairtrade. Using atlases, we will locate some of the countries which are involved in Fairtrade.

We will also be learning about the cocoa bean and where it is grown. When we look at the different countries where the cocoa bean is grown, we will discuss the climates and compare them with our own.

You could visit the local shops and look out for Fairtrade products.

How to support your child in English this term

This half term, in English, Years 3 & 4 will be reading the very exciting novel *Charlie and The Chocolate Factory* by Roald Dahl. We will share parts of the DVD so that they can see a visual text. The children will take on the roles of various characters in the books to allow them to write diary entries, recounts of events in the novel and complete their own story from an imaginary setting. This novel ties in perfectly with our Fair is Fair theme as it will allow them to understand how the cocoa beans from different countries are used to produced many different products. At home, ask your child what is happening in the story so far.

Discuss your child's home reading book with them to increase their comprehension. Children will be able to complete an on-line quiz in school after the completion of each book. Your help at home will mean children will be successful and achieve more points at the end of each quiz. Ask them lots of questions about author's choice of words and how they affect the reader. When you come across new words, look them up in the dictionary together.

Things to practise in Maths this term

The children will develop their multiplication and division skills throughout the Spring Term. Please continue to support your child as they work to achieve their next multiplication badge. Rapid recall of times tables facts is very important when solving problems and completing reasoning challenges.

The children will continue to develop their addition and subtraction skills this term. Please encourage them to quickly recall pairs of numbers which make all of the numbers up to 10 (e.g. $9=8+1/7+2/6+3$ /etc.). Repeat this with all of the numbers to 20 and then with numbers to 100. knowing these facts will support them when they add or subtract mentally and when they encounter much higher numbers.

Try giving your child two three digit numbers to add or subtract and ask them to show you all of the different written methods they have been learning.

Feel free to write in their homework books if you feel they deserve bonus points for their efforts.

Other ways to help your child

Encourage your child to add detail when they speak:
 Ask them lots of questions so they can expand on their ideas.

Read a range of texts:
 Books from home and school, newspapers, magazines, comics, and websites.

Watch the news or Newsround:
 Discuss the stories. Ask them to find out more on the CBBC website.

Tell the time:
 Encourage your child to read the time on analogue and digital clocks. See if they can work out difference between the times.

Helpful words to read and spell this half term

Creative Curriculum Theme Words			Important words and phrases			Spelling Rules
Fairtrade	countries	equator	inference	multiple	fewer than	Year 3 Apostrophes for possession- <i>Examples: Lucy's shoes, America's president</i>
climate	rainfall	temperature	retrieval	factor	transfer	Year 4 Prefixes- discuss how prefixes at the start of words can change their meaning. re- il - lm - <i>Examples: illegal, reappear, irresponsible</i>
gas	solid	liquid	summarise	product of	find the difference	
reversible	irreversible	states of matter	explain (your answer)	justify (your answer)	equivalent to	

