

Science – Keeping Healthy and Micro-organisms.

How the heart acts as a pump to circulate blood around the body; the effect of exercise and rest on pulse rate; why humans have skeletons and muscles to support and protect our bodies; that micro-organisms exist and that they can be harmful as well as beneficial; that there are three



groups of microbes- viruses, bacteria, fungi- and describe some of the differences between them.

P.E.

Gym: We are practising different types of jump. We will then be linking them into a travelling routine with a partner.

Dance- Will take place after half term.



The children are expected to bring their PE kits into school at the beginning of each half term, taking them home every holiday to be washed. Please ensure every part of your child's uniform is clearly labelled.

Literacy-

This term we our main non-fiction focus will be on autobiography and biography (diaries, journals, letters, anecdotes, records of observations, etc. which recount experiences and events), as well as formal and impersonal writing. We will be also be spending time looking at dramatic conventions within our narrative unit. Towards the end of the term we will be revising reading and writing in both narrative and non-fiction form.



Design Technology- Models



We will be making some models to use in conjunction with our ICT unit on animation.

Music-



The children will explore how lyrics and melodies are used together in songs and then compose their own songs in groups

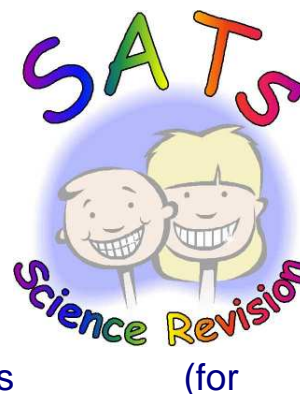
Homework



Please support your child in completing their weekly Learning Log to a standard that they can feel proud of. Children who do not hand homework in on Monday will complete during lunchtimes. If your child is unable to complete their homework for a genuine reason please send me a note or write in their Learning Log. In addition to the Learning Log the children will also be given spellings to learn every Thursday and will be tested on them the following week. Additional homework may be given if necessary, particularly if work is not completed in class. Please encourage your child to read often (sometimes aloud) and practise mental maths calculations regularly (especially times tables).

SATs

As you know the children will all sit their SAT tests in May. Both the pupils, and the teachers, will be working hard in class in preparation for these. The children are encouraged to try their best. Booster classes have started in school both during class and lunch time. Thank you to all who attended the recent SATs meeting at school. If you were not able to make it then your child should have brought home some information for you. You will also receive a list of recommended websites (for revision) and should find your child's log-in details for 'Education City' stuck into their Learning Log. There are also links via this website.



I hope I have covered any questions you may have about this term. Above all I want your child to be happy and to enjoy coming to school. If at any time you have any queries or concerns please make an appointment to see me – it is vital that we work together to ensure that the children's last year at St Alban's is a fun, memorable and successful experience.

Thank you for your time and support.

Mrs Styles

Unity

By Cleo V. Swarat

I dreamed I stood in a studio
And watched two sculptors there,
The clay they used was a young child's mind
And they fashioned it with care.
One was a teacher:
the tools she used were books and music and art;
One was a parent
With a guiding hand and gentle loving heart.
And when at last their work was done,
They were proud of what they had wrought.
For the things they had worked into the child
Could never be sold or bought!
And each agreed she would have failed
if she had worked alone.
For behind the parent stood the school,
and behind the teacher stood the home!

