



Fairview Community Primary School

Termly Newsletter


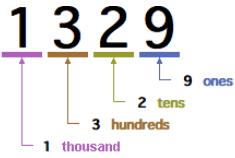


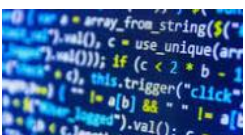




Year 4- Term 1

At Fairview, our school values underpin everything we do and are core to the ethos of our school. Our aim is to develop a community of **responsible** learners who not only demonstrate **collaboration** and **perseverance** in their work, but who also show **kindness**, **respect** and **honesty** towards one another.

Welcome back for the start of Term 1! From all of us on the Year 4 team, we hope you had a lovely Summer Break!

This term, we are excited to be starting our learning about settlements with a focus on Antarctica and answering the critical question 'Why do people choose to settle or not in different places?' Below, you will find an overview of our curriculum and what we will be learning in each subject this term. If you have any questions, please contact your child's class teacher. We would like to thank you for your continued support and engagement with your child's learning.

Mr Lewis (Turtles), Mrs Harvey (Dolphins) and Mrs Costen (Otters).

<p>English</p>  <p>We complete our learning surrounding our fantastic text, Shackleton's Journey. This follows the Story of explorer Ernest Shackleton's infamous expedition to Antarctica in 1914. The book is a fantastic story and will provide wonderful learning opportunities.</p>	<p>Maths</p> <p>Our Maths this term focusses on Place value and the four number operations. We will be completing new learning mixed in with a help of revision in order to get the children working up to speed early in Term 1. After half term multiplication and division become a huge focus.</p> 	<p>Science</p> <p>To begin our year, we will be completing a unit on the changing states of materials. This will include learning about the properties of solids, liquids, and gases and about how materials change between these states.</p> 
<p>Geography</p> <p>In Geography this term, we are learning about Antarctica. This will include some Geographical skills and vocabulary such as longitude and latitude, describing physical and human features, looking at why people have not settled there and investigating Shackleton's expedition which links with our English.</p> 	<p>Computing</p> <p>In computing this term, Year will be tackling the real-life skill of programming. To do this, we will be using Purple mash to learn about coding. This is a highly child friendly way of teaching what is becoming a life skill.</p> 	<p>Art and DT</p> <p>This term we will painting so make sure you have a shirt or apron to wear! We are looking at tone and shade and creating still life and landscape pictures using different tones and shades.</p> 
<p>RE</p> <p>We will study Buddhism this term. We will find out about the story of Buddha's life and consider the key question: Is it possible for everyone to be happy?</p> 	<p>PE</p> <p>In PE this term, we will be completing 2 topics. One will be indoor gymnastics with Mrs Saputo and the other lessons will be taking part outdoors with the class teachers and Mr Bodkin. The focus on these lessons will be tag rugby.</p> 	<p>PSHE</p> <p>This term we focus on ourselves in the world we live in. This will include learning about how to relax, the process of making decisions and understanding rights and responsibilities.</p> 

Class timetables

PPA is on Friday on even weeks – this will include Forest school, music and indoor PE.

We will be having PE on the following days:

Turtles – Tuesday and Friday

Otters – Tuesday and Friday

Dolphins – Monday and Friday

Home Learning

- Spellings – Spelling home learning can be set each week on EdShed. In order to complete their spelling home learning practice for their spelling test each week.
- Reading – To encourage reading for pleasure and to support their progress, we ask all children to read as regularly as possible each day. Please ensure your child records what they read in their reading record and an adult signs it off. Reading records can be checked on a regular basis in class.
- Maths – A weekly Maths activity will be set (details regarding this will be sent out on the home learning sheet via Parent Mail). Each week we will be exploring a new topic. Please encourage your child to complete their Maths home learning each week to support their progress.
- In addition to this there is the expectation that TTrockstars is used regularly and targets will be set. We will focus on times tables each week. There will be an assessment online at the end of each term.

Home learning continues to be an important part of supporting your children's progress and we would like to thank you for your continued support – it makes a huge difference and has a positive impact on your child's learning. If you have any questions regarding home learning, please contact your child's class teacher, who will be happy to help! ☺



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OUR CURRICULUM

