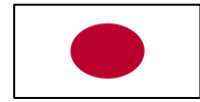




UAE  
Miss Townsend

Year 4  
Summer 1 Newsletter



Japan  
Miss Wain

**English**

**Writing**

This half term we will be focusing on two different genres. We will be writing a narrative about an adventure with sound and a fact file all about the culture surrounding musical instruments. The pupils will focus on solidifying their writing skills for writing for different purposes and audiences by picking and choosing which techniques to use with greater autonomy.

**Reading**

In reading we will be exploring a variety of fiction and non-fiction texts as well as poems based around sound.

**Maths**

This half term will be finishing our learning about decimals and move on to time and money.

We will:

- Recognise quarters as decimal and fractions
- Write money with decimals and convert between pounds and pence
- Compare, estimate and calculate with money
- Know years, months, weeks, days, hours, hours and minutes
- Read write and convert time between analogue and digital
- Solve problems including converting different time scales e.g. moths to years and minutes to hours

**Topic**

Our cooking topic this term will focus on building skills to measure liquids and ingredients out. We will be making a pasta bake and falafels. Pupils will focus on building their skills in cutting, peeling and grating foods. In science we are moving onto understanding sound. We will look at how sounds are made along with the patterns between the pitch of the sound and the object that makes them. We will also explore how sound travels through solids, liquids and gasses. Our investigation this term will look to explore which materials are easier for sound to travel through and why.

**PE**

Our focus for outdoor PE is rounders. Pupils will learn skills such as:

- Throwing over/under arm
- Stepping to hit the ball when striking
- Using a long barrier position to scoop the ball

This will be UAE's second term swimming.

**Art/ DT**

This half term pupils will explore how to create different musical instruments out of junk. In this topic pupils will practice their measuring skills, to the nearest millimetre or centimetre and discover different ways to join a variety of materials.

**Reminders**

- ✓ All children should read for 15 minutes every night and should bring their reading book each day.
- ✓ Homework is given out on a Wednesday and is handed in on the following Monday
- ✓ Creative homework pieces can be brought in at any time
- ✓ PE Kits are needed on Friday
- ✓ When it is your child's birthday, they are allowed to come in non-uniform
- ✓ We are a nut-free school, so please bear this in mind if your child brings packed lunches
- ✓ Each morning, they must also bring a bag to put letters and reading books in.
- ✓ Water bottles should be ones with suction tops. These are available from the office for £1.