



TARGETS

Your child's writing and maths targets are regularly reviewed and written in your child's exercise books.

Don't forget **Mathletics** is a fun way to develop your child's Mathematical knowledge. My Maths log in details are written in your child's School Link Book.



HOMEWORK CHALLENGES

Wb: 17th January - 25th March

Homework will be given on a Wednesday to be returned by the following Tuesday. Please support your child in completing tasks given. Thank you.

Homework this term is explained on the homework challenges worksheet in your child's homework book. Homework is to:

- Regularly read at home. When you complete reading at home please make sure you make a note of it in the Home School Link Book.
- Complete weekly spellings. Your child should use class strategies to look, cover, spell and check.
- Complete a short task each week. All homework tasks for the term will be on the homework challenges sheet and explained clearly to the children each week.

Our school website can be found at www.ourladys.devon.sch.uk.



PUFFIN CLASS Information Sheet Spring Term 2018



*HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL CHILDREN
AND ADULTS*

*Best wishes,
All in Puffin Class*



OPEN CLASSROOM

Tuesday 8.45-9.15am

Your child would love to share their work and classroom with you. Do come along if you can. *(If Tuesday mornings are not suitable just let me know and we'll arrange a time convenient to you.)*

TOPIC

In the next couple of weeks we will begin our new topic, 'Explorers'. This topic is geography based.

Through this geography topic, we'll be finding out about:

- Other Places
- Seasonal Weather Patterns
- Geographical Terms
- Directions and using a compass
- More about maps, plans, pictures and symbols
- Simple directions
- Geographical language

ENGLISH

Our main texts are The Papaya that spoke by Pie Corbett, What do you do with a tail like this? By Jenkins and Page, The Dragon Machine by Helen Ward and Your Local Area Transport by Ruth Thomson. Spelling rules and phonics are taught daily and children are **encouraged to practise spellings at home.**

MATHS

Your child will be working at their own level on number sense, multiplicative reasoning, additive reasoning and geometric reasoning. They will also complete weekly arithmetic assessments.

SCIENCE

We will be investigating Animals, including humans and Living things and their habitats.

PSHE

We will be exploring some listening games.

RE

We will be using our 'God Matters' scheme. This term our units are Christmas, Revelations, Lent, Holy Week.

PE

We continue to use the company Sporting World coming into school to teach us Physical Education. This term they will be doing gymnastics. Please ensure your child has a full PE kit every Monday and Wednesday.

MUSIC

Through our music teacher Mrs Hynes we will be learning about musical terms through the djembe drums.

ART & DESIGN TECHNOLOGY

We will be using a range of materials creatively to design and make products. We will also draw and paint to develop and share their ideas and develop a wide range of art and design techniques.

COMPUTING

We will explore communication and networks, e-safety, algorithms and programming and development. The children will be using ICT to organise, classify and present information. We will also be exploring and learning to use programmes on the computer properly i.e. Word, patterns using Paint, Bug Club and My Maths.

Reading

A lot of the reading that takes place in school is within English lessons and guided reading sessions. Children are strongly encouraged to keep regularly reading at home. Children are able to change their reading books independently on a daily basis.