



# There's No Place Like **Home**



Welcome back! I hope you enjoyed the half term break and the sunshine! Our topic for this half term is called 'There's No Place Like Home'. We will be learning all about the history of Emsworth and Chichester as well as learning new geographical skills which we will use when we go on our **two** field trips. We will also be visiting Thorney Church and (hopefully) having a virtual tour around a mandir and comparing the two. Any questions, please do not hesitate to come and see me.

Harry Harms



## English

This half term in English, we will be learning the features of persuasive writing. We will be looking at how advertising is used and creating our own adverts. If you would like to help at home, you could encourage your children to look at the language adverts use to convince you buy or go somewhere, as well as introducing them to any leaflets / brochures to places, as this will help them develop an understanding of what we intend to do!

## Maths

In Maths we will be learning to -

- ★ Plot and interpret line graphs
- ★ Identify the properties of different 2D shapes including triangles and quadrilaterals
- ★ Identify lines of symmetry
- ★ Plot co-ordinates on a grid

Any practise you can do with your child would help them to make greater progress at school. The easiest way to support them is to look to complete their MyMaths work, or get them familiar with a range of different shapes both by name and by sight.

If your child is inspired by their photography lessons and takes any photos whilst out and about, please do upload to their Seesaw!

## Geography and History

We will be learning about counties and using maps to help us find them. We will be looking at the differences between villages, towns and cities and comparing Emsworth with Chichester, looking at the differences between them. We will also be looking at the history of both of the places and researching how they have both changed over time.

## HOW CAN I HELP AT HOME?

### ☺ In Maths

- **The governments Multiplication Check for Year 4, is coming up this term so it is just that last little push to keep their minds fresh and prepared for it. Times tables are so vital to so many areas of maths and just practising them every day for a few minutes can make such a difference.**

### ☺ In English

- By encouraging your child to read every day. We have had a large influx of children really trying to climb our classes' 'reading rocket' which has been fantastic to see! As you are reading with your child, support their understanding of the text by asking them questions such as - What has happened? Why did that happen? Why is a character feeling a particular way?
- Please ensure that you sign the reading journal every time that your child reads.

### ☺ In PE

- Our PE days are Wednesday and Friday, so it would be appreciated if the children could come into school with their PE kits, as well as suitably prepared for the weather, such as **hats, sun cream and water bottles**. We are doing Cricket and Athletics so trainers and proper PE kit is required for involvement.

Homework: Your child will be set a menu style homework to run throughout the half term. Spellings will be set on a Friday and will be tested the following Friday.