

## Cadmore End C of E Combined School Class 4 Spring term 2018

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English	History and Geography	Maths
Fiction –	Historical study – The Victorian era:	Fractions
Award-winning modern children's fiction.	exploration and discovery.	Decimals
Non-Fiction –	Geography – Investigate places, patterns and communicating geographically.	Percentages
Book reviews, explanation texts, presentations.		Geometry
		Measures
		Statistics
	Topic: The Victorian era	Problem solving
	Class 4	Reasoning
Primary Focus	Spring Term 2018	Investigations
Science – Galileo: to the rescue!		SATS preparation
Art, Design & Technology – Victorian Botanical and	Discrete Subjects	
Zoological art.	Spanish – New vocabulary	Outdoor activities
ICT – Research skills.	PSHE – communicating and relationships at school .	Outdoor learning will be led by Mr. Hazel. Children will be having thei outdoor learning session ever



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## Welcome back

We hope you have enjoyed the festivities over the Christmas holidays and had a relaxing break. We are very excited to see the children back –they are eager to continue developing their independence and pro active learning skills. This term Class 4 will be developing our historical skills even further as we continue to research the Victorian era and its impact. This will include learning about social reformers and philanthropists as well as more Victorian inventions, exploration and social change. We are sure this will be an exciting and informative opportunity for your child to research and debate this fantastic topic further. We have also created a spring term table of key subjects that will be our main focus this term.

Science: Galileo Galilei, one of the most famous astrologists The World has ever known, needs help at the Roman Inquisition: he needs to prove that the Earth moves round the sun; that the moon moves around the Earth; and that the seasons and day & night are all a consequence of these movements. If he can't, he will be imprisoned, tortured, put to death or all three! The children will need to build on their existing knowledge to provide experimental evidence to support his case, not just current astrological thinking... and he is running out of time!

P.E. this term is on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons with Mrs Caine. Please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school at all times. Last term, there were many occasions when some children did

not have their PE kits in. Please kindly ensure your child is fully kitted and organized with all PE kits named including trainers and plimsolls. PE kits will be sent home at the end of each half term to be washed.

Outdoor Learning will continue to take place on a Tuesday afternoon, whatever the weather! Please ensure your child has appropriate clothing, e.g. waterproofs and wellies which have been named.

Year 5 homework will be set on a Thursday for the following Tuesday. Mrs Gibbons will be setting separate homework for Y6. Spellings for Y5 will be set on a Tuesday for the following Tuesday. Mrs Gibbons will make her own arrangements for Y6. Reading daily is monitored via children's reading record. It is great to see daily reading taking place so please continue to sign the reading record book or your child can sign if they have read independently. Great progress has been made with reading so keep encouraging the daily reading!

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy and peaceful New Year.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Bowring and Mrs O'Neill