

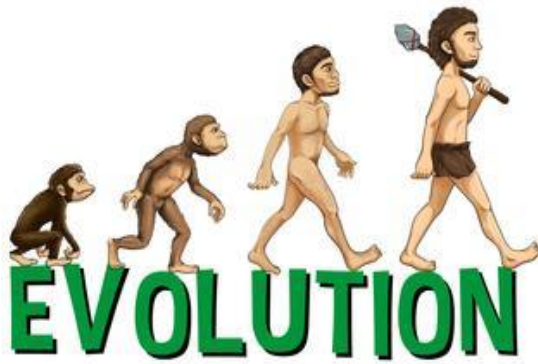


# Jaguars Class Update

Our learning in April and May:

GET READY TO:

LEARN **see** DO  
read **EXPLORE**  
question **GROW**  
laugh **SMILE**  
IMPROVE **SHARE**  
try write **CONNECT**  
imagine **DO YOUR VERY BEST**



This term, our topic will be a Science focus 'Evolution' which will continue into next term. In this unit we will look at how living things produce offspring which inherit certain characteristics and investigate the terms 'variation' and 'adaption'. Focusing on the main theorists: Charles Darwin and Alfred Wallace, we will see how separately they developed similar theories based on evidence discovered in the natural world and fossil records.

## SATs Week

- Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May – English Grammar, Punctuation and spelling  
Paper 1: Grammar (45mins)  
Paper 2: Spelling (20 Mins)
- Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May – Reading Comprehension (1 hour)
- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May – Mathematics Paper 1: Arithmetic (30 mins)  
Paper 2: Reasoning (40mins)
- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May – Mathematics Paper 3: Reasoning (40mins)

## English and Maths:

Although a large part of the term will be preparing for SATs followed by our Whitehall residential, we will still be aiming to write two pieces of non-fiction: Non-Chronological report and a Explanation text. Further, we shall be continuing to cover the final units of the Year 6 Maths curriculum covering Algebra and Statistics; however, Fridays we be set aside as booster time to cover any areas which need revisiting.

## Homework:

- Reading – DAILY (20 minutes a day at home). Each child is allowed to read independently at home, however it is vital that occasionally parents listen to their child read and discuss their reading with them. **Please add a signature when you have heard your child read.**
- Reading Comprehension & SPaG- handed out Mondays: completed for the following **Monday**.
- Maths – handed out on Friday to be completed and handed in the following **Wednesday**.

If your child is finding homework tricky, please try to support them and make a note about how you have helped. However, if they continue to struggle please make sure they seek help at school prior to the handing in date.

### Useful information:

**PE:** This term will be 'Orienteering'. It is important children have the **correct uniform for PE**, as they should for a school day. This includes: plain, white top; plain, dark shorts/trousers; dark jumper/hoodie; trainers NOT pumps; and socks.

### Dates for the diary:

6 <sup>th</sup> May	-	Bank Holiday
13 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup> May	-	SATs Week
17 <sup>th</sup> May	-	Class Photograph
20 <sup>th</sup> – 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	-	Whitehall Residential
29 <sup>th</sup> May - 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	-	HALF TERM
3 <sup>rd</sup> June	-	INSET DAY
13 <sup>th</sup> June	-	Music Concert
17 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup> June	-	Fitness week

In Year 6, there is a great expectation on appropriate behaviour in preparation for secondary school. This year, alongside educational expectations, children will be developing their independence, leadership skills and demonstrating an appropriate role model to other year groups in the school. Parental help and support, in installing appropriate behaviour and helping to develop effective study habits, is essential and appreciated.

Any queries or information to pass on can be via the school office - [Julie.carter@littleaton.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:Julie.carter@littleaton.derbyshire.sch.uk) or 01332 831471 – or at the end of the school day.

Thank you in advance for your support,

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Mrs Dallison & Mr Read