



## Shincliffe CE Primary School Home / School Links – Spring 2

During this half term the children in Year 4 will be looking at the following areas:

Curriculum Area	Content to be taught in school	Possible Activities to be completed at home
English	This term we will look at examples of play scripts and write a story from a different culture. Children will understand how to use fronted adverbials and how to expand noun phrases to describe and specify. Children will also write a poem that will express their feelings and develop their understanding of similes and metaphors.	Read, Read, Read! Please continue to hear your child read. It helps them develop ideas for their own writing as well as experiencing good sentence structure. As well as this, support your child, as appropriate, with their English homework.
Maths	Children will convert between 12 hour and 24-hour time. They will interpret and present discrete data using bar charts and line graphs. They will continue to multiply and divide an integer up to 1000 by 10 and 100, and understand the effect and use the four operations of number in the context of two-step problems. Children will continue to learn times table and division facts up to the 12 times tables and square numbers up to 20.	Talk to children about time and get them to answer questions related to this. Take time to practise learning their times tables as this will help with a range of areas in maths and is an important target they need to achieve by the end of year 4. As well as this, support your child, as appropriate, with their maths homework.
Science	Children will continue finding out about the properties of the three different states of matter; solid, liquid and gas. Children will investigate the process of evaporation and condensation. They will also learn about the water cycle.	Encourage children to spot the different processes and talk about real life examples of the different aspects of science.
Computing	Children will understand how to be good digital citizens and what the term 'Plagiarism' means. They will also write algorithms, and continue with their presentations using the programme Photostory.	Talk though the importance of using the Internet in a respectful way and not to plagiarise someone else's work.

RE	Children will learn about the key events in the Christian calendar and learn about the significance of lent and its impact on people's lives.	Talk to your child about lent and the events around the Easter story.
Geography	Children will be able to locate different European countries on a map. They will learn about the country of Italy and how it compares and contrasts with the UK.	Discuss with children any experiences of trips to Europe and find out information about Italy.
PE	Children will continue to develop skills in Gymnastics where they will work with a partner to create different routines from different starting points.	The skills learnt in gymnastics are best practised to perfect them. Give your child the opportunity to practise the skills they have been taught in school.
Music	Children will continue to learn how to play the glockenspiel and how to perform with others using the glockenspiel.	Find examples of music where the glockenspiel has been used for the children to listen to.
Art	Children will learn about famous Italian artists. They will understand the influence of different artists work on modern art and how to recreate different techniques these artists used.	Discuss with children a range of Italian art discussing if they like or dislike it, and why?
Proposed Educational Visit		