



AVANTI COURT

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Dear Families, this term Year 2 will be focusing on preparations for the end of key stage SATS tests.

SATs tests will commence in May and will finish before the end of this half term. Specific details for each test will not be shared and results will not be published until the end of Summer 2.

Our Educational Visit:

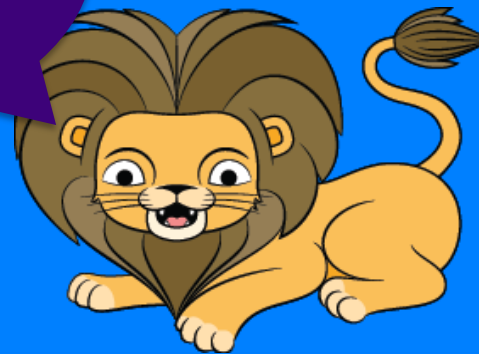
No educational visit has been planned for Summer 1, however we will aim to arrange for two visits in Summer 2.

Homework:

We hand out homework every Friday, to be returned to the class teacher by the following Wednesday.

Children will receive an English writing homework task and maths homework task on alternate weeks this half term.

**Year 2
Spring 2
(2016-2017)**



Our value this term is:

Courage

Physical Education (PE) and Yoga:

We have Yoga every Thursday and PE every Friday. Please make sure your child has the correct PE kit as shown on our school website and that all of the kit is clearly labeled.

Science:

Children continue with the topic living things and their habitats. Also our scientists will identify that most living things live in habitats to which they are suited and describe how different habitats provide for the basic needs of different kinds of animals and plants, and how they depend on each other. Finally, using the idea of a simple food chain, and identify and name different sources of food, children will apply their learning to familiar habitats.

Philosophy, Religious and Ethics (PRE):

Children will extend their confidence in self-expression, especially through identifying situations in which courage is needed in order to speak out. Children will differentiate between courage and recklessness, and understand how to respond to fearful situations through (1) positive action, and (2) development of inner strength, through prayer, kirtan, and stories about divine protection, including the story of Dhruva and revisiting the story of Prahalad (Vedic stories).

Maths:

This term children will continue to develop their reasoning and mastery skills in relation to the four operations to solve everyday mathematical problems with some focus on fluency to ensure that our children are well prepared in time for the SATs tests.

Please allow for your child to have plenty of rest over the weekends and avoid asking too many questions about the test papers etc.

English:

This term children will be exposed to texts that will further develop their creativity via story writing. Our young learners will develop the following skills:

- Use of homophones e.g. their and there, to and too etc.
- Spelling with contracted forms.
- Use of apostrophes to represent missing letters and possession.