



**AVANTI COURT**

Excellence · Virtue · Devotion

**Dear Families, this term as part of our International Primary Curriculum (IPC) we will be studying the unit 'Active Planet' Within this theme children will be learning to know and understand the history of volcanic islands, Earthquakes and other natural disasters and how they can devastate communities.**

**Homework:**

We hand out homework every Friday, to be returned to the class teacher by the following Wednesday.  
Children will receive a spelling list and Maths homework.

**Year 3  
Summer 1  
(2016-2017)  
Topic: Active  
Planet**



**Our Educational Visit:**  
This term, the children will visit a local synagogue and we are attending a workshop at the local library about the history of our locality.

**Our value this term is:**

**Courage**

**Physical Education (PE) and Yoga:**

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

### **English:**

Children will be studying and reading Fly Eagle, Fly and The Lost Thing. They will be writing poetry, non chronological reports, narratives with a fantasy setting and Instructions.

To help your child at home, you could:

Read regularly with and to your child including a selection of adventure stories and non-fiction books. E.g. Newspapers and websites are a good source of information.

A reading record will be sent home daily with your child's reading book. Please listen to your child read on a daily basis for at least fifteen minutes.

Encourage your child to practise their handwriting.

You might want to visit:

<http://www.spellingcity.com> This website will help your child to develop their spelling.

### **Science:**

In Science this term the children will learn about **Forces and Magnets**. They will compare how things move on different surfaces notice that some forces need contact between 2 objects, but magnetic forces can act at a distance

observe how magnets attract or repel each other and attract some materials and not others.

compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the basis of whether they are attracted to a magnet, and identify some magnetic materials.

### **Computing:**

The computing topic for this term is: icconnect which includes Computer networks including using web browsers and search engines safely and effectively.

### **Philosophy, Religious and Ethics (PRE):**

In PRE this term children will learn about Karma. Pupils will consider the question: why do good things happen to people who act badly? Why do bad things happen to those who act well?

### **Maths:**

There are key facts that are essential for your child to know. In order to support your child with the acquisition of these, you could:

Support your child to learn the multiplication facts so that they can recall them rapidly. Ask quick fire questions e.g.  $12 \times 6$ ,  $8 \times 3$  etc.

In Year 3 children need to know their multiplication facts for the 1,2,3,4,5,6 and 8 times table. Use inverse to check answers, for example:  $8 \times 5 = 40$   $40 \div 5 = 8$

([www.teachingtables.co.uk](http://www.teachingtables.co.uk)). Apply maths skills to real life problems, ask your children questions such as reading the time on a clock, both analogue and digital. Ask your child to work out the roman numerals on a clock.

<http://www.kidsmathtv.com/learn/telling-time-with-roman-numeral-clocks-game-for-5th-grade-coffee-quiz/>