



# Ranworth Curriculum Newsletter ~ Summer 2

Dear Parents / Carers,

We have had an exciting start to the summer term and are looking forward to launching straight back in with the new half term.

This term in Ranworth our topic is titled 'Way Out West' we will be investigating various topics about western America. This half term we are focusing the history of America and the changes it has faced over the years. We will also be investigating bread and learning how it is baked.

Here is some more information about what the children will be learning this half term:

<b>English</b> As part of the Primary Writing Project the children will be developing their story telling and writing skills. This half term we will be focusing on writing a portal story and investigating different styles of poetry.	<b>Maths</b> In Maths we are using White Rose Maths resources. The children will continue to develop their understanding of statistics before looking at time, properties of shape and capacity. As always, Mathletics is a great way to practise the skills that we cover in class. Please continue to encourage your child to use this regularly at home.	<b>Science</b> In science this half term the children will learn about the types of nutrition which human need. They will also learn about the human body and how our skeletons and muscles work, comparing this to animals.	<b>Music</b> The children will have an hour of music each week with Ms Owen-Smith. This will be singing and percussion based on the requirements of the National Curriculum.
<b>Topic – Way Out West</b> We will begin our topic by learning about bread and investigating its different forms. We will also take a closer look at America, looking at the Lewis and Clark expedition as they explored the continent of America, and how it has changed as a country over time from the natives to today.			

## Helpful Websites

Below you will find some websites that can be useful to support your children's learning at home on the internet.

### Maths

[www.mathletics.co.uk](http://www.mathletics.co.uk)

### Reading

[www.oxfordowl.co.uk](http://www.oxfordowl.co.uk)

### Writing & GPS (Grammar Punctuation & Spelling)

<https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/topics/zhrrd2p>

### Topic related

<https://www.americanhistoryforkids.com/>

<http://www.historyforkids.net/american-history.html>

### Spelling

This half term we are going to continue with 'No Nonsense Spelling'. Children will have spelling lessons during the week based on a common sound, pattern or rule. As a result of this, children will no longer receive a list of spellings to learn each week so please do not panic when you are not seeing these come home as before. However, please encourage your child to continue learning the common exception words at home – if you require a copy of this list, please let me know.

### **Books and Book Bags**

Thank you for continuing to read with your children and writing a comment in their reading records. It is very important that your child is reading every day. The children can change their books as soon as they have read them. Please help the children develop a love of reading by sharing these books with them, talking about why they have chosen them and discussing what they have enjoyed, or not, about them.

### **P.E Kits**

We plan to have PE on Monday and Wednesday. However, please send PE kits in on Monday and allow your child to leave their kit in school all week as they may need to do PE at different times to their usual lesson. The children will have PE outside on both days.

Details of PE kits are on the school website.

### **Snacks**

Please provide your child with a piece of fruit for morning break.

### **Drinks**

As the weather gets warmer please ensure that your child has a named water bottle in school. This should be placed on the shelf by the sink in the classroom. Milk that is ordered with school dinners will be given to children at morning break. Water will be the only drink provided at lunchtime.

### **Key dates**

11<sup>th</sup> June – Visit to Easton College – Food and Farming

23<sup>rd</sup> July – Poetry Cookout

I hope that this information is useful, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to come and talk to either of us.

Kind Regards,

The Year 3/4 Team

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