

# Ranworth Curriculum Newsletter

## Spring 1

Dear Parents,

We hope that everyone has enjoyed their Christmas break and wish you all a Happy New Year.

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

English	Maths	Science
<p>Information texts. Character and setting description. Story writing.</p> <p>SPaG sessions will focus on creating sentences, punctuation, understanding and using word types effectively.</p> <p>Spelling focus will be words from Y3/4 statutory list.</p> <p>Children need to read a little <u>every</u> day at home.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Number: multiplication and division.</li> <li>• Measurement: length, perimeter and area.</li> <li>• Number: fractions.</li> </ul> <p>Year 4 children are expected to know their X tables up to 12. Year 3 children are expected to know their 3,4 and 8 X tables.</p> <p>Children should use Mathematics regularly at home.</p>	<p>Living things and their habitats.</p> <p>Children will learn to:</p> <p>Recognise that living things can be grouped in a variety of ways.</p> <p>Explore and use classification keys to help group, identify and name a variety of living things in their local and wider environment.</p> <p>Recognise that environments can change and that this can sometimes pose dangers to living things.</p>
<p><b>PSHE:</b> Relationships Education: My Feelings, My Body, My Relationships, My Beliefs, My Rights and Responsibilities, Asking for help: Y4 with Miss Watson &amp; Y3 with Mrs Nour</p>		
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Topic:</b> Fish Keeper Fry</p> <p>Ranworth has been chosen by Maidenhead Aquatics, to take part in an 8-week programme, where the children learn how to set up an aquarium and keep fish. This will link into a range of Science topics, including: living things and their habitats and plants. It will also lead into considering the environment and what we as a school, families and individuals can do to take better care of our planet.</p>		

## Helpful Websites

Lots of you have expressed an interest in 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)

## English

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

[www.purplemash.com](http://www.purplemash.com)

## Topic

<https://www.fishkeeper.co.uk/fishkeeper-fry-parents>.

## Books

It is very important that your child is reading **every day**. Encouraging them, discussing and sharing books and listening to them read is key to them developing a love of reading and making good progress in all they do.

## P.E Kits

We plan to have PE on Wednesday and Friday afternoon. Please send PE kits in on Monday to 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, so please ensure that the children have a tracksuit and appropriate footwear as they will be outside whatever the weather.

## Drinks

Please ensure that your child has a named water bottle in school **EVERY** day.

## Homework:

- ♥ Gain your X tables wristbands.
- ♥ Mathletics – gain those gold bars!
- ♥ Read every day – a range of fiction, non-fiction, poetry and plays.
- ♥ Complete the 12 reading challenges.
- ♥ Make a change to help the environment – ideas attached...
- ♥ Write a story – own choice.
- ♥ Create a fact file about ways to help care for our environment.
- ♥ Research your favourite fish.
- ♥ Anything related to our topic you would like to create.

I hope that this information is useful, if you have any questions please do come and talk to us.

Kind Regards,

*Miss Watson*

*Miss Freij*

Year 3/4 team: Miss Watson and Miss Freij.