As part of our Social, Moral, Spiritual and Cultural curriculum we will continue to interweave our school motto and core values into everything we do. Motto:

Perry Hall Primary, a place to grow in confidence, creativity and ability.

At Perry Hall we are...

Respectful, Caring, Determined – never give up, Enthusiastic, Independent, Motivated

#### **Helping Your Child At Home**

- Spellings will continue to be sent home once a week on Friday to be tested on the following Friday. Please support your child to learn these and also complete their spelling challenges.
- Homework for Maths and English will be sent home weekly on Thursday to be handed in the following Tuesday. Please support your child to complete this.
- Please continue to practice times tables with your child at home as by the end of year 4 they are expected to know up to 12x12.
- Children will continue to be in charge of choosing and reading their own home books. They read this book daily in school and are responsible for recording this in their diaries. Please encourage your child to read this book (or one of their own choice) at home.

As always, if you have any problems regarding anything, please do not hesitate to come and see us.

# **Spring Term 2018**

- January 25th—Year 4 trip to Cadbury World
- 2nd February 2018- Number Day 2018 (NSPCC)
- Week beginning 12th March 2018 STEM/science week
- Half Term Dates: Mon 19th Feb—Fri 23rd Feb
- 2nd March 2018– World Book Day
- End of Term: Children break up for the Easter holidays on Thursday 29th March.



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# **English**

This term, Year 4 will be looking at the text 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' as part of our Cracking Contraptions topic along with the texts 'Until I met Dudley' and 'The Shirt Machine.'

The skills that the children will be working on are: the use of paragraphs to organise ideas around a theme; including using subordinating conjunctions to add extra detail to their writing; the use of figurative language and writing a range of sentence types using ambitious vocabulary.

### Maths

This half term, Year 4 will be working on ordering and comparing numbers up to 2 decimal places; counting through to negative numbers; multiplication and division; properties of shape; recognising common equivalent fractions.



There will be a focus on learning multiplication tables through chanting and rapid recall activities. We would value your continued support with this.

The children will continue to work on their arithmetic skills which will include calculating with the four operations and fractions.

## **Science**

This term, the children will be exploring sound. We will be looking at how sounds are made, how it travels and investigating material to see which are the best insulators against sound. We will also look at electrical circuits and conductors of electricity, as part of our Cracking Contraptions topic.

### **History:**

The children will be investigating the Victorian period, industrial revolution and their inventions as part of our Cracking Contraptions topic.

## **Geography:**

In Geography the children will look at major cities around ports and trade.

## **D&T /Art/Music:**

In music lessons, with our music teacher, Year 4 will focus on continuing their skills of playing the ukulele.

In Art, children will be recreating sketches in the style of Quentin Blake, taking inspiration from our English work.

#### French:

The children will be continuing to learn French, the focus this year will be on transport, building and special places.

### **Computing:**

In Year 4 we will be working with digital animation and digital programming.

### RE:

In RE we will explore Christianity, Sikhism and Hinduism including their festivals and traditions.

# P.E./Games

Our PE lessons will take place on Mondays. Please ensure your child has their kit in school on this day. Children will engage in football, focusing on working as part of a team.

#### **PSHE:**

In PSHE we will be looking at Healthy Eating and Managing Money.