

Homework will be used to support the children's learning as follows:

Subject	Requirement
Reading	Please encourage your child to read for a few minutes every day. Your child's reading books will be changed when they have read their book at least three times.
Spelling	Children will be given a spelling sheet every Friday. They will learn the same spellings for a week in school, followed by a spelling quiz on the following Friday. Please encourage your child to practise their spellings at home. The spelling sheet is to be returned to school once completed in the Homework file.
Homework	Your child will be set online activities on Purple Mash. These activities will reinforce what they have been learning in class.

PE lessons are scheduled to take place on **Mondays and Wednesdays**. Children will need to come into school dressed in their PE kit on those days.

Due to current guideline to keep windows open, please ensure your child has enough layers to keep them warm as it could be cold outside.

A quick reminder - WE ARE A NUT FREE SCHOOL - please ensure you do not send in any nut products.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact us. Thank you for your continued support.

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BRINKWORTH EARL DANBY'S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL



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CLASS

Welcome back! We hope you all had a good half-term holiday. We are continuing with our topic 'Bright lights, big city'. This is predominantly a geography-based topic that largely focuses on London and this term we will be focusing on several key areas: maps, instructions, directions, how weather links to seasons and how to record weather observations.

What is a map and how can we use it to navigate across a city or around our school? What is the best way to write instructions and directions. We will be comparing London with Kuala Lumpur, and advising someone from Kuala Lumpur as to what to bring to the UK at different times of year.

The science learning about seasons is continuing and we are learning about how to observe, predict and measure changes in the weather. We will be making rain gauges as well as finishing our London taxis off.

**Our topic for the Easter term continues to be
'Bright Lights, big city'.**

Mr O'Reilly will be teaching Monday to Friday. Mrs Gaffney will be teaching on a Friday afternoon. Mrs James is our Teaching Assistant.

Bright Lights, Big City

English

Our class books will be 'We're Going On A Bear Hunt' by Michael Rosen.

We will be learning how to write instructions. We will be learning to apply imperative verbs. We will be using positional and directional language to navigate around our school.

In phonics we will be using the Little Wandle scheme for a daily input.

PSHE

The children will explore the topic-'Rights and responsibilities'. Money, school environment, first aid and dental care are the areas that we will discuss.

Geography

The children will learn about maps and what a 'key' is. They will also be making a map of the school. They will be comparing capital cities of London and Kuala Lumpur.

Art and DT

We will be making rain gauges and discussing safety when using tools.

We will continue with sketching different landmarks but we will challenge ourselves to draw them from memory.

PE

We will be looking at different ways of using our bodies to balance with our 'points' and 'patches'. We will be learning about which muscles help our 'core'.

Steven will be teaching the class archery. Get ready to duck!

R.E.

We will be exploring the importance of Easter for Christianity. We will be looking at symbolism in Easter and the belief in life after death.

Computing

We will be learning about internet safety. We will be making a rap about different aspects of internet safety and what to do in a range of situations. How can we protect ourselves online? Who can we tell if we see something that scares or confuses us?

Science

The children will be continuing to observing how the seasons change our environment. We will be looking at weather forecasting and how the weather is linked to the seasons. We will be making rain gauges and using them to record the weather.

Music

Our music unit is called 'Round and round from the Charanga scheme of work. We will be learning six different styles of music.

Maths

This term we will start by focusing on finding and representing addition and subtraction facts for numbers 17-20. They will be using these facts to solve a wide range of mathematical problems.

We will also be learning about fractions. We will be dealing only with $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$. We will be introducing the terms 'numerator' and 'denominator'. The denominator reflects how many *equal parts* the whole quantity will be split into.