

Areas of the curriculum where you may be able to help your child this term. Thank you for your continued support. For any enquiries regarding curriculum email: [emmaclark@crescentschool.co.uk](mailto:emmaclark@crescentschool.co.uk).

<b>English</b> Ms Clark	Support your children's reading and encourage regular quizzing. Take time to look at many different types of writing and poetry and what makes them different to one another, with a particular focus on fictional writing, persuasive writing and narrative poetry. Help them to learn their spellings, which are sent home on Tuesday most weeks, for their weekly test the following Tuesday. Support the correct use of punctuation and high-level vocabulary in all their writing and encourage cursive handwriting and pride in their work. English homework will be set on Monday and due in the next day.
<b>Maths</b> Ms Clark	Encourage your children to learn their multiplication and division tables off by heart. Take any opportunity for mental maths e.g., money and change, time telling, estimating and counting. Encourage taking times table challenges on TT Rockstars and explore <a href="http://www.mathszone.co.uk">www.mathszone.co.uk</a> or <a href="http://www.topmarks.co.uk">www.topmarks.co.uk</a> . Maths homework is set on Friday and is due in on Monday. It will usually be written homework, but may occasionally be an activity on Abacus <a href="http://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk">www.activelearnprimary.co.uk</a> or on SeeSaw. Please avoid showing your child different methods to those taught in class – if in doubt, do feel free to ask.
<b>PSHE</b> Ms Clark	We will be discussing setting targets for ourselves; making plans and having goals; dealing with disappointment; resilience and having a positive attitude. We will also follow a unit of study addressing mental and physical health as we grow and change.
<b>French</b> Mrs Day	Ask your child to teach you French words! Our topics this term include family members, fruits and vegetables and clothes. We will also study the topic of the weather. Finally, we will study Easter traditions in France. Crescent School has recently subscribed to LanguageAngels.com which has resources for primary school language lessons. It is now possible for the pupils to access the karaoke songs and interactive games from home: Go to <a href="http://www.languageangels.com">www.languageangels.com</a> Click on LOGIN and then click on PUPIL GAMES Enter the username: crescentlanguages and the password: crescentlanguages (it must be lower case letters) Click on either the karaoke songs or the games and then the French flag Click on a topic, for example colours. Click on an activity for example Colours Bingo.
<b>Science</b> Mrs Johnson	<b>Science:</b> Use everyday opportunities to discuss sound, how it travels and how volume and pitch can be changed. Listen to different musical instruments and talk about how they make sound. Ask your child to think about everyday objects that use both light and sound to work. Talk to your child about the function and hygiene of teeth and how they are an important part of the digestion system.
<b>Computing</b> Mr Adkins	<b>Computing:</b> This term we will be moving on to explore language-based programming. Practising typing skills is always incredibly useful, as well as having open discussions with your children about E-Safety and how we keep ourselves safe online.
<b>Humanities</b> Mrs Symons  Ms Forth  Ms Clark	<b>History:</b> Research and find interesting facts about ancient civilisations. Draw comparisons between these and the Indus Valley. Visit museums and share books. Find out what type of people lived there and their way of life.  <b>Geography:</b> Be proactive and supportive in our fundraising efforts for the Bwengu Project later in the term. <a href="http://www.bwenguprojects.co.uk">www.bwenguprojects.co.uk</a>  <b>R.E.:</b> We will be considering what we can learn from religions about deciding what is right and wrong before exploring the question 'Why is Jesus inspiring to some people?'.

<b>Performing &amp; Creative Arts</b> Mrs Barnes  Mrs Thackway  Miss Bowdige	<p><b>Music:</b> Encourage careful and analytical listening to a wide range of music.</p> <p><b>Art:</b> The children will be exploring how colour and mark making can dramatically affect the mood of a painting. They will be studying the work of Pablo Picasso and exploring how he combined colour and unusual viewpoints to emphasise emotion.</p> <p><b>Speech &amp; Drama:</b> Please listen to your child reciting their chosen LAMDA poem, listen for emphasis, expression, body language, pace and volume. Practice conversations with your child, use a picture to initiate a discussion. Also ask your child to explain their favourite activity to you in detail – what does this activity entail.</p>
<b>Sport</b> Mrs McCollin and Mr Adkins	<p><b>Invasion Games</b> - Practise getting into the correct position to dribble, pass and shoot the ball in different ways.</p> <p><b>Swimming:</b> Improve your child's stamina and water confidence by going for family swims. They can work on the technique that they have been working on in lessons as well.</p>

### Homework

Half Term/Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lent 1	English	Spellings	History	Science	Maths
Lent 2	English	Spellings	Thinking Skills	Science	Maths
Plus	Reading / Speech and Drama				

**Targets** – The children will be using these in all lessons. Please encourage these in their homework too.

- T1** I must use capital letters and punctuation accurately.
- T2** I must spell correctly using texts, words on the board and dictionaries.
- T3** I must read through and check my work makes sense.
- T4** I must use neat, accurately sized and formed cursive handwriting.
- T5** I must use a pencil to draw diagrams, underline LO, title and date.

