

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: bforth@crescentschool.co.uk

English Mrs Webb	Support your children's reading and encourage 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 travel writing, classic poetry and biographies and auto-biographies. Help them to learn their spellings on www.spellzone.com . Support the correct punctuation in all of their writing and encourage cursive handwriting and pride in their work.
Mathematics Ms Forth	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. Try www.mathszone.co.uk or www.mathsplayground.co.uk Be aware Abacus Mathematics Learning Platform that will be accessed from home as term goes on. Please do not show your child different methods of column calculations that we have not taught in class, especially for numbers they can do mentally. Watch method videos on Abacus.
French Mme Tatton	Ask your child to teach you French words! Our topics this term include personal identity such as name, age and birthday, colours and numbers from 1 to 30 in French. We will also learn to describe physical appearance and personality. We will not only Listen and Speak in French but also Read and Write and learn about the French language, including the concepts of genders and numbers and the rules for adjectival agreements.
Sciences Mrs Byrne Mr Phillips	Science: Please take your child on nature walks and discuss life cycles of plants and animals. Look around the house and discuss why objects are made of certain materials and what properties these materials have. Computing: Your child can practice their programming skills at home by using the online programs used in class like Scratch and Purple Mash '2Code.'
Humanities Mrs Yates Mrs Stapleton Mr Thackway	History: Share books on the Egyptians and visit museums RE: Be prepared to discuss religious practices and what it means to believe something as well as why rules are needed. Geography: We will learn about the physical geography of the coastline, so discussion of holidays and seaside trips would help. In the second half of term the children will undertake a research project into a European country, possibly one the children have visited with their families.
Performing & Creative Arts Mrs Barnes Miss Thomson Mrs Byrne	Music: Encourage listening to a wide range of music. Try to comment on it e.g. what instruments could you hear; was it fast or slow, what mood was it in? Speech and Drama: Please encourage your child to practise their poems and please listen to their performance, help them improve their Speech from the feedback comments that have been given in their books. Art: Please encourage any drawing, painting and craft activities and look at and discuss a variety of famous still life pictures DT: Look at different types of bags around the house and discuss their different shapes, sizes, fabrics, colours and functions.
Sport Mr Phillips Mrs Dowling Mrs McCollin Mrs Robinson Mrs Collie	Hockey: Practise getting into the correct position and sending the ball in different ways. Dribbling skills including reverse stick can also be practised. Football: Practise passing, shooting and controlling the ball with both feet and different parts of the body Netball: Practise throwing and catching skills and shooting skills if possible. Swimming: Improve your child's stamina in the water by going for family swims. They can work on the technique that they have been working on in lessons as well.

PSHE
Ms Forth

We will refresh the principles and vocabulary used with the 'Taking Care' Program. This encompasses the empowerment of your children through teaching them protective behaviours. Be aware of terms such as Early Warning Signs and Networks. Pamphlets are available should you have mislaid yours.

Homework Timetable:

Homework DfE guidelines Year 5 & 6: up to 30 minutes per day

Half term/Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Michaelmas 1	English	History	Spellings	Science	Maths
Michaelmas 2	English	MFL	Spellings	Science	Maths
Plus	Reading / Speech & Drama				