



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I hope you had a restful Easter. Please find below details of the work that 5M will be doing during the coming term. This term is particularly exciting because the term will end with an Arts and Culture week. 5M will be studying the culture and customs of Japan.

**Mathematics:**

Percentages, including percentage change and equivalence between fractions, decimals and percentages. Ratio and proportion. Negative numbers and operations in a context. Place value up to 10,000,000 and rounding numbers to any degree of accuracy.

Fractions and decimals: Fractions of amounts, equivalent fractions and simplifying. Converting between fractions and decimals.

Geometry: measuring and drawing angles using a protractor and solving angle problems using angle facts.

**English:**

Persuasion: We will identify the language, grammar, organisational and stylistic features of advertisements. The children will create an advertising campaign for a new product. The majority of Literacy work this term will be devoted to Persuasive writing and Brazilian myths and culture as part of our work on Arts and Culture Week. We will be studying Brazil and the children will be reading a number of myths and will use these as a model to write their own. They will also be learning a Brazilian choral piece to perform on our Arts and Culture presentation evening. More on this to follow!

**Science:**

Micro-organisms: The children learn that there are many very small organisms called micro-organisms which feed, grow and reproduce and which may be harmful or beneficial. We will study some causes of illness and decay and relate micro-organisms to food production as well as relating science to their personal health.

***Useful website*** - <http://www.bbc.co.uk/education/topics/zfxsbk/resources/1>

**Place and Time:**

Children will be studying about geographical and historical features of Japan together with current customs and practices. The children will be doing a variety of collage, sketching and drawing associated with this theme.

**Faith and Belief:**

We will be studying Hinduism. Children will learn about beliefs and moral values and whether religious people live better lives.

**Citizenship and Ethics:**

Democracy. The children will be learning about the cabinet, how the government is structured and how laws are passed. In the final term we will be look at long-standing ethical dilemmas and be debating these.

**PE:**

We will be lucky to be receiving some specialist coaching in invasion games and athletics as well as preparing for Sports week.

**Arts and Creativity:**

The children will be perfecting their Japanese dance ready for performance as well as learning traditional arts and songs.

**Finally**

There are still a number of children who do not attend Study Support classes. The topics that we cover are generated by the needs of the children and will definitely help your child with their class work. Please consider sending your child to some sessions if they do not attend at the moment.

Yours faithfully

*Mr Morgan*