

### **HOMEWORK in Eagles**

**Maths Homework will be given out weekly on a Friday and will be collected in on a Thursday.**

We have created a list of other homework activities that are cross curricular for your child to choose from. We would like one activity to be completed and returned every two weeks. Details will follow on a separate Homework sheet which can also be found on the school website.

**Topic homework will be handed in every other Tuesday.**

We would appreciate your support in helping your child to complete their homework. Some homework activities can be completed by your child independently and some are intended to be shared with someone else at home. Homework is consolidation and reinforcement for your child's learning and also gives you an opportunity to see what your child is doing in class.

**Spelling Shed – at least twice a week for 10-15 minutes**

Children have logins for this website: <https://play.edshed.com/en-gb/login>. A new spelling list will be set for your child to work on each week, linked to the spellings they are working on at school.

**Times Tables Rockstars – at least 3 times a week for 5-10 minutes**

Children have logins for this website: <https://play.ttrockstars.com/>

In the summer term, the Year 4 children will be taking the **Multiplication Tables Check**, a national statutory assessment. **They will be tested using an on-screen check (on a computer or a tablet), where they will have to answer multiplication questions against the clock. So having a solid understanding and a quick recall of the times tables is very important - regular practice is invaluable to achieve this!**

**Reading – at least 3 times a week**

Please continue to read fiction and non-fiction with your child and record comments in their reading record. All reading is positive, including newspapers, magazines and online information. Children should record at least three comments in their reading records a week and they should have their reading book and reading record in school daily.

# Thrupp Primary School



**Information for Parents  
Terms 3 and 4  
Spring 2025**

**Eagles  
Mrs Catt and Mrs Bass**

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year to you and your families! We hope you have had a wonderful Christmas and everyone has recharged their batteries ready for some super learning this term. We are ready for another busy term in Eagles, we have some really lovely things planned linked to our new topic 'Amazing Amazon' which has a **Geography** focus. We will be learning about aspects of the rainforest including plants and animals and the threats to this precious environment. We will focus particularly on the Amazon Rainforest, the Amazon river basin and the continent of South America, comparing it to the UK.

This will also link to our **Science** topics this term whereby both year groups will be learning about living things and their habitats. Year 5 will also learn about the reproduction of plants and year 4 will be learning about Sound.

In **English**, we will be reading some texts set in the rainforest and using these to inspire our fiction, non-fiction and poetry writing. We will also be learning about the mysterious disappearance of the explorer Percy H Fawcett. Our whole class reading text will be Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo – if you are able to supply a copy of this text for your child, it would be really beneficial for them to have their own copy.

In **Maths** year 4 will be working on multiplication & division and the formal written methods for these. They will also work on the written methods for addition and subtraction and a geometry unit: properties of shapes. Year 5s will also be working on the written methods for multiplication & division. Geometry: position & direction; Fractions, decimals & percentages and Measurement: Length, mass & capacity.



In **Art** we will be following the Access Art programme and the pathway we will be working on is 'Using Art to explore global issues'. We will be drawing and sculpting and finding inspiration by the artists Faith Bebbington, Frances Hatch, NOMINT

Our **Design and Technology** focus this term is **textiles**, where we will be researching different types of fastenings and we will design and make our own book sleeve for our favourite books!

**PE** will take place on a Wednesday and a Friday. Additionally, Year 4 will be going to Forest School as part of their Be the Best Fridays so please come to school appropriately dressed for those sessions.

As always our door is always open so please let us know if you have any queries or questions. Our class email is still active and will be checked weekly: [eagles@thrupp.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:eagles@thrupp.gloucs.sch.uk) For anything urgent, please contact the school office or leave a message with the teacher on duty at the gate in the morning and we will get back to you as soon as possible.

**Remember to look at our class page on the school website to see what exciting things we have been doing!**