

**Tividale Community Primary School**  
**Spring Term Newsletter**  
**Class 13**



**Back to School**



***This is our timetable for this term.***

(Please note that although this is our usual timetable there may be changes due to other events/activities in school.)

	8.55	9.05	10.05	10.25	10.40	12.00	1.05	1.10	2.10	3.15	3.30		
<b>M</b>	<b>Assembly</b>	<b>Maths</b>	<b>Assembly</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>English</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>R</b>	<b>Science</b>	<b>PE Swimming</b>				
<b>T</b>					<b>English</b>				<b>U</b>	<b>G</b>	<b>Whole Class Reasoning</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Class Reading</b>
<b>W</b>					<b>English</b>						<b>N</b>	<b>S</b>	<b>Whole Class Reading</b>
<b>T</b>		<b>Maths</b>		<b>A</b>	<b>K</b>	<b>English</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>Booster English</b>	<b>Booster Maths</b>			
<b>H</b>		<b>Booster Maths</b>				<b>Booster English</b>			<b>H</b>	<b>Community Cohesion Project (Art, DT, PE, Music)</b>			
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**Homework**

Maths – set every Thursday and is due in Monday.

English – set every Thursday and is due in Monday.

Topic – set termly and will have a given due in date.

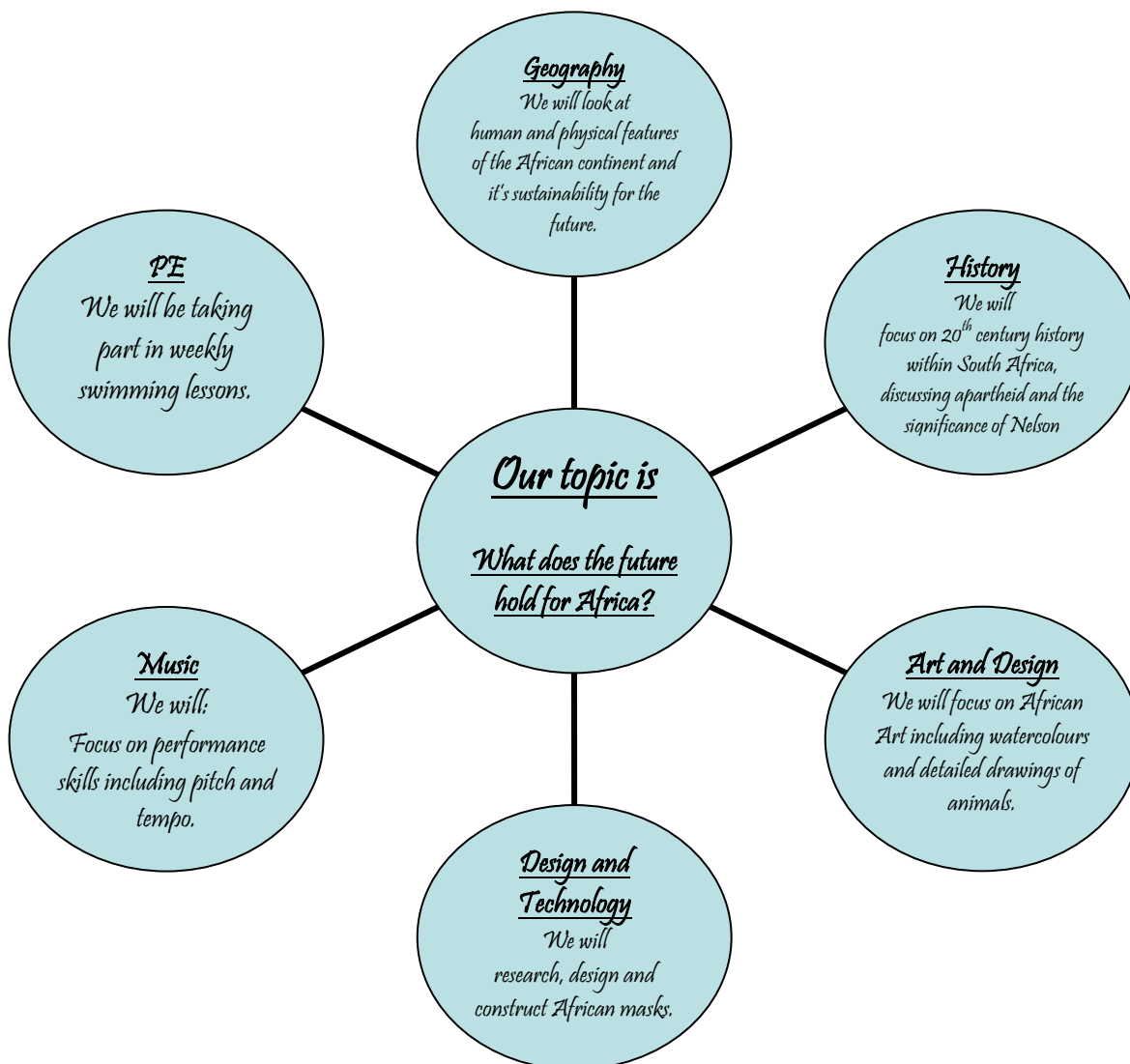
Spelling – set on Friday and tested the following Friday.

Maths and English Booster – set every Friday and is due in Thursday.

**It would help your child if you could:**

- Encourage children to read for a sustained period of 20 minutes each day.
- Ask them about their learning in school – what have they learnt today? Can they show you some of the things they have done in Maths? Could you research part of the topic together?
- Ensure children complete their homework, making sure they write neatly and take care with presentation, so that they can be proud of their achievements at home.
- Ensure they come to school every day at 8.50am.

Our Titanic topic will continue until February half term. After this, we will commence our new topic below.



### **Maths**

We will be focusing on arithmetic skills and applying related facts. There will be a particular focus on solving mathematical problems mentally at speed. Children will be focusing on using their four written methods with accuracy and speed, then developing these skills within real life contexts. Children will continue with renewed vigor the practicing and application of times tables to 12 x 12. We will be focusing a great deal on strategies to solve mathematical exam style questions.

### **English**

We will be focusing on building up the children's use of adventurous vocabulary and develop their understanding and use of more complex sentences, which include a subordinating clause. There will be a particular focus on looking at their work and up-leveilling it with more advanced skills. Children will have a major focus on answering reading questions using evidence for their thoughts and ideas from the text. We will be looking at the use of formal and Standard English within non-fiction texts, with an emphasis on letter writing, balanced arguments and persuasive writing.

### **Computing**

We will be continuing to focus on safety advice and appropriate use of the internet; including social media and gaming websites. Our topic this term is designing and making an app, which will build on skills children have already learnt from Scratch (which is available to download free of charge from Google).

### **Science**

During this term we will be focusing on humans including animals. Children will be studying the make-up of blood and the role that the circulatory system plays within the body, as well as comparing human organs to those of other mammals, insects, amphibians, reptiles and birds. We will be looking closely at the effects of lifestyle choices on the human body; specifically concentrating on diet, exercise, prescription and non-prescription drugs and hygiene. Children will also be looking at the theory of evolution and adaptation.

### **Dates for your diary**

Valentine's Disco – 15<sup>th</sup> February

Half Term – 16<sup>th</sup> February

March

Return to School – 26<sup>th</sup> February

St John's Ambulance Day – 27<sup>th</sup> February

World Book Day – 2<sup>nd</sup> March

Chester Zoo Trip – 16<sup>th</sup> March

Parent's Evening – 22<sup>nd</sup> March

Sports relief and non-uniform – 23<sup>rd</sup>

Easter egg competition – 27<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> March

Break up - 29<sup>th</sup> March

New term starts– 16<sup>th</sup> April

**Signed:**

*Emillison*

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**Date:** January 2018



