



## ALBAN WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY

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### Year 4 Spring Curriculum Letter 2017

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Welcome to a new school term. As ever a new term means new challenges and I am sure that the children will rise to these. I am really looking forward to finding out about Italy and the famous Leonardo Da Vinci in our topic work.

In order to support your child, please can you:

- Ensure your child arrives in time for the beginning of school at 8.50 am.
- Ensure that he/she has a reading book and Reading Record Book in school every day.
- Ensure that PE kit is in school on Tuesdays (outdoor) and Wednesdays (indoor)
- Ensure that time is given at home to complete homework.

Our cross curricular topic is Italy, comparing the country to Britain and exploring the work of Leonardo Da Vinci from the Renaissance era which has parallels to the Tudor times . Every fortnight there will be a whole school focus word (for example our first word is Co-operation) which will be explored in PSHE and P4C lessons. Year 4 will continue to have fortnightly Music and French lessons.

In addition to English and Mathematics, the particular focus for our lessons this term will be as follows:

- Science States of Matter and Changes of Matter
- History Leonardo Da Vinci
- Geography Comparing Italy to Britain
- RE Judaism
- Art Portraits - linked to Leonardo Da Vinci
- DT Food Technology - pizzas
- Computing Developing Communications
- PE Fitness skills, Invasion Games, Dance (related to topic)

#### Homework

Our homework grid system will continue with activities to cover the entire half term. Please remember that there are ongoing tasks at the bottom of the grid which are invaluable. Homework books should be handed in on a **Monday** and will be sent out again on a Tuesday. Please encourage and support your child with homework and reading. Homework produced on a computer can be e mailed to me at the school admin account at [admin@albanwood.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@albanwood.herts.sch.uk)

Finally, please could I ask for your support with our Class reading challenge, Bookworms. The aim is to encourage a love of reading and the ability to read a range of books. It would be great to have every child participating in this.

Thank you for your cooperation and if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to speak to me.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs L. Townley



