

Numeracy

Problem solving

<http://www.mathplayground.com/games.html>

<http://primarygamesarena.com/Subjects/Maths>

<https://trockstars.com/>

<http://www.sheppardsoftware.com/>

Science

Our topic this half term is rocks-

http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/scienceclips/ages/7_8/rocks_soils.shtml

<http://www.educationquizzes.com/ks2/science/>

We will be looking at different types of rocks and how fossils are formed.

<http://www.sheppardsoftware.com/scienceforkids/dinosaurs/games.htm>

How you can help

Help with homework. Encourage children to present their work to a high standard.

Homework is set on Fridays and should be returned by Wednesday at the latest. Extra team points are available for homework returned on Monday.

Log on to

www.purplemash.com

www.trockstars.com

<http://sheppardsoftware.com>

Topic Show an interest in your child's learning.

This term's topic is Volcanoes and the Earth followed by The Romans and it's invasion of Britain.

Spelling

The children have been shown different ways to practice spellings. Ask them to show you. A useful website for helping with the learning of spellings is Spellings Checker -

<http://www.crickweb.co.uk/ks2literacy.html>

Reading

Listen to your child read. Ask questions about the books they have read.

Fiction books:

- What did you think about the beginning of the story? Did it make you want to read more?
- Were you happy with the ending? Can you think of an alternative ending?
- Which part did you enjoy most? Why?
- Did any part of the story surprise you? Why?
- How did you feel when...?
- Which was your favourite character? Why?
- Was there a character that you did not like? Why?
- Can you think of a question that you would like to ask one of the characters?
- Which character would you most like to be?
- How do you think the character felt when...?
- Why do you think that character behaved in that way?
- What clues were there about...?
- Did you expect ... to happen?
- What do you think thought when...?
- If could speak when... what would they say?
- How does the illustration on page ... make you feel?

Non-fiction books:

- How helpful was the contents page?
- Did the glossary help you to understand any of the words that you did not understand before?
- Can you tell me one piece of information you have remembered from the book?
- Which illustration did you find most interesting and why?
- Were there any questions that you thought of that weren't answered in the book?
- How helpful were the diagrams/ photographs/captions/tables/statistics?

Encourage your child to use the full range of punctuation in their work:

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