

Dear Parent/Carer

Ahead of the new term, I thought it a good time to write to you as Robin's Form Tutor to let you know what we are doing next term for each of the subjects your child is studying.



In **Mathematics** this term Robins will finish component 2 (calculations) and complete the assessment for this component. We will also be working with ratios and money
Maths (components 3&4). We will use recipes to investigate fractions and explore money by participating in the 'Game of Life' where the pupils will each have a job, family and home that they will have to financially support.

How you can help at home: Try getting your young person adding and subtracting when shopping



English

In **English** this term we will be exploring Gothic literature.

Try at home: It would be good if pupils could find out what gothic literature is and try and find some examples



In **Science**, for the first three weeks of this term in Science, Robins will be finding out how life has developed on Earth.

Science They will then move on to the Chemistry unit on reactions including those involving acids.

How to help at home:

To support your child at home you could encourage them to watch TV programs on wildlife and to research the works of Charles Darwin for the biology unit.

To support the Chemistry unit it would be useful for them to find out which acids are present in foods notably citrus fruits and vinegar. They could also try exploring how these foods react with bicarbonate of soda.



ICT

In **ICT**, Robin's will be continuing to work through their ECDL Level 1 Unit, Security for Users. In this unit, they will be studying malicious programs, infiltration and hoaxes and how to avoid them, confidentiality and identity theft.

To support your child: please help them to find 3 examples of major organisations that have suffered at the hands of infiltration.



Construction

In **Construction** next term, we will be continuing with the first unit of study and the areas of decorating; wallpapering, painting and wall preparation.

How to help at home: Suggested activities include researching different paint types and their specific uses. If they are suitable for internal and external use. Look at why wall papers and vinyl wall coverings are different and the advantages and disadvantages. This information can be found on the internet, builder's magazines and at your local library.



Food Technology

In **Food Technology**, we have begun the new course and made some good progress. In order to support for next term some activities they should be undertaking include describing job roles in the industry, describing career opportunities in the industry and stating different working patterns in the industry as we will be covering this next term.

We hope that you have enjoyed hearing about what we have planned for next term. If you have any other requests for information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Helen Conway', enclosed in a simple oval shape.

Helen Conway

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