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Family Learning Project – Spring 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are continuing with the success of our Family Learning Project from last term with our new project for spring and we hope you will find it just as enjoyable!

The Family Project is the bringing together of children and their families with the help of the school. This has been done through a different project each term, which families have worked on together at home. It is completely voluntary but we would hope as many families as possible will take advantage of the great opportunity, this spring term, of collaborative learning and spending quality time together.

The spring term project will be based on Maths as this is part of our whole school development agenda this year. During this academic year, we are focusing our teaching on a wide-range of learning styles with an aim of developing children's maths reasoning skills – how they apply their knowledge to a range of problems.

Examples of activities you might like to work together on at home are:

Find out about famous mathematicians, create artwork using maths shapes, make a board game using co-ordinates and other directional instructions, work on timetables but think about ways of making the learning fun, use recipes to measure ingredients and focus on scaling quantities/ratios, create activities based on telling the time/making a clock, estimate and measure or use a stopwatch to think about how long it might take to get ready for school/brush teeth and then create graphs to record the information– and many more!

Spring Term Curriculum maps can be found on our school website under the 'Curriculum' tab and you will be able to view all year groups to see what your children are going to be learning in maths this term.

Parents/family members will be invited into school for one afternoon after half-term to work alongside their child in maths lessons focusing on their current learning – class teachers will inform you of this date by letter.

There will be a 'showcase' assembly on Wednesday 10th April at 2.00pm for Infants and 2.40pm for Juniors where children will be able to share their Family Learning Project with the rest of the school and parents will be invited to attend. The work created from this term's project will then be displayed in the school hall on our Family Learning display after Easter. We hope you will take up this exciting and rewarding opportunity to work closely with your child in and outside of school. We look forward to seeing the different creations in our showcase assembly in April.

If you have any queries/questions, please speak to your child's class teacher.

Yours Faithfully,



Mrs V Minihane
Principal