



# Chestnut Class

## Enriching Learning

### Spring Term 2025

#### 'UK Explorers'



## Maths

[www.mathletics.com/signin](http://www.mathletics.com/signin)

### **Mathletics offers:**

- \*Live Mathletics - Practise mental Maths skills by competing against members of your class or children from around the world.
- \*Activities - Pick an area of Maths that you would like to improve in. Choosing the topic that the class is currently studying would be a great idea. Can you turn the topic bar gold?
- \*Skill Quests - Can you apply your knowledge to a wider range of questions?
- \*Meritopia - These special set of games can only be accessed when you have earned enough points! Can you open the door to Meritopia?

<https://trockstars.com/>

### **Times Tables Rock Stars offers:**

- \*Single player games - Use these to increase your speed, accuracy and confidence.
- \*Multiplayer games - Take on your friends, people around the world or even your teachers!
- \*Tournaments - Look out for various battles against other classes throughout the term!

Another useful website for Maths:

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games>

## Reading

This term, we would like you to try to read for 10 minutes every day. You can read by yourself or with an adult. Ask them to record your reading in your reading diary so that, when you reach a milestone, you can be entered into the Reading Raffle. Diaries will be checked every **Monday**.



A Spelling/Phonics pattern will be given to you every **Thursday**. Words connected to this pattern will then be tested on the following **Thursday**.

## Geography Focus

The following links will help you to develop your understanding of our topic this term:

<https://kids.nationalgeographic.com/geography/countries/article/united-kingdom> (The UK)

<https://www.kids-world-travel-guide.com/uk-facts.html> (The UK)

<http://projectbritain.com/landmarks.htm> (Landmarks)

BBC Teach has clips of UK landmarks.

Each week, choose one of the activities below to explore. Try to choose a range of activities (some from each box) during the term. **Make sure that your completed homework is put into our homework drawer by Monday every week.** You can hand it in early if you'd like to!

### Maths Activities

- Create a game that helps people to practise their 3, 4 or 8 times tables. Could it be something active or maybe a card game?
- Play 'Hit the Button' to practise your times tables:  
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>
- Grab a pile of socks. Try to share them equally between your family members. Does it work or do you have some left over (remainders)? What if you were to share them between a different number of people? How could you record your findings?
- Use a ruler to measure items in your house. Measure the same object in centimetres and then in millimetres. Do you notice a pattern?

### English Activities:

- Read or perform a fairy tale story to your family. Remember to think about volume, expression and actions.
- Write a set of instructions for Little Red Riding Hood. Could you break down how to make a cake for Grandma?
- In English lessons, we will be exploring persuasion. What would you like to change in school? Pick one thing and then write down 3 points to persuade me to agree with you.
- Explore how speech is punctuated in one of your story books. Write down your findings in your homework book. Is it the same in every book?

### Geography Activities:

- Research a famous landmark in the UK, such as The Angel of the North, Buckingham Palace or the London Eye. You could write a postcard from the landmark, sharing your facts.
- Label the countries of the United Kingdom on a map. Can you find the capital cities too? You might need to create a key for your map.
- Speak to an older family member about how the area where you live has changed overtime. Record your findings using bullet points.
- Draw a sketch map of where you live. Label how the land is used, e.g. for housing, education, business, parks.

### Other Curriculum Areas:

- Open Scratch and click 'Create'. Can you change the sprite and add a backdrop? Can you make the sprite move? Can you create a sequence of commands? Can you add sounds?  
<https://scratch.mit.edu/>
- Research a recipe for a savoury dish in the UK and then help your family to make it.
- Conduct an investigation involving plants. Do they grow better on a radiator or in a freezer? Can they survive with no water?
- Create a quiz about the human body. You could include questions about bones and muscles.

The above is a suggested list of ideas. If you would like to carry out your own project, we would be excited to see it.