

Year 2 Summer Newsletter

April 2023



We hope you all had a restful Easter break and welcome you back to the Summer Term.

Year Leader: Miss Weld

Badger Class: Miss Weld, Miss Braddick, Mrs Compton-Rae and Miss Dunaway

Owl Class: Mr Penfold and Mrs Neely

Hedgehog Class: Mr Cain, Mrs Cufley, Miss Collins, Mrs Davison, Mrs Hawkins and Mrs Bond

English – Writing

In English, we will continue to use high-quality texts to inspire our writing. Our unit on 'Twisted Traditional Tales' will give children the opportunity to familiarise themselves with different traditional tales and create their own. We will be encouraging the children to become more independent writers and demonstrate the skills that they have learnt so far in Year 2. We will teach them how to edit their writing and make revisions and additions.

We use Kinetic Letters as our handwriting scheme at Harrison. We will continue to focus on the 'snuggling' of letters and begin to learn joins.



Maths



In maths, we will be looking at fractions and time. Year 2 children need to be able to tell the time to the nearest five minutes on analogue clocks so please help your child consolidate this at home. We will also revisit areas taught previously this year.

The SATs in May will see the children sit two papers, arithmetic and reasoning, to show what they have learnt in maths this year. Please continue to help your child learn the 2, 5 and 10 times tables as well as the related division facts.

Times Table Rockstars is a great resource which can be used to practise this skill- <https://play.itrockstars.com/>. Please encourage your child to log on and play the games.

Reading

We will continue to work on building fluency and comprehension skills this term and will continue our Guided Reading sessions. We will also explore the story 'Fantastic Mr Fox' and complete questions based on the text in our shared reading sessions.



This term the children will sit two reading papers as part of their SATs. It is important for children to continue to read regularly at home, even if they are fluent readers. Before the Easter break, many children were given high-frequency words to practise. Please help your child learn these words from sight.

Home Learning

Your child will continue to receive home learning each week. These tasks should take approximately 20 – 30 minutes each and will be given out on a Friday, to be handed in on the following Wednesday. Please help your child practice the spellings in their home learning. We will be expecting to see these words spelt correctly in their independent writing.

Foundation Curriculum

Science

During this term we will be learning about how plants grow from seeds and bulbs and what plants need to be healthy. We will also look at animals and their habitats.

Computing

We will use branching databases to display data and creating graphs on excel.

Music

During the term, we will look at tempo and texture when creating our own piece of music.

RE

We will be looking at how God is seen by Christians, Sikhs and Jews and what belonging means to these religions too.

Games/P.E.

We will be learning skills through indoor ball games and begin to explore athletics.

Geography

We will look at the United Kingdom and its four countries and will complete a study on the Isle of Wight.

PSCHE

We will learn how to keep safe and begin to explore jobs that people do.

Art

We will use clay to create minibeast tiles during Summer 2.

DT

We will create dips and dippers, learning how to use a knife accurately and carefully.



Other Important Information and Dates

As you are aware, the Year 2 SATs take place this half term. We will ensure that this is not a stressful time for the children. Information on our SATS can be found on our Google Drive:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1M1LQ2NTyxwaX8beve4lsXgMYyxSPt2J?usp=share_link

❖ **Year 2 SATs 15TH May – 25th May 2023**

Please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher, via the school office, if you have any questions or need support with your child's learning.

