

Horn's Mill Primary School
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Helsby Cheshire
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Nurture, Inspire, Flourish

Dear Parents/Carers,

A very warm welcome from all of us in Team 4! We can't wait to teach and support your child as they move into Team 4. We are all very excited to work with your children and have lots of fun learning activities planned! Mr Lawrie will be teaching the class Monday - Tuesday and Mrs Phillips will be teaching the class on Wednesday - Friday.

PPA time for Mrs Phillips is on Wednesday mornings which will be covered by Mrs Caroe who will be doing art and DT sessions with the class.

A little about us...

The class will be familiar with Mrs Phillips, who visited school a number of times last year and was in on our transition day. The children will also be familiar with seeing Mr Lawrie as he was in the same bay and regularly popped in to see the class. Miss Morris has already worked with the class before so the children will know her very well.

In Mrs Phillip's spare time, she enjoys running, time with her family and recently taught herself to crochet! In Mr Lawrie's spare time, he enjoys spending time outdoors, being with family and in particular getting outside and fishing. Miss Morris loves spending time outdoors and going for long walks with her dogs.

Please feel free to come and talk to any of our team if you have any questions or need to share concerns. You can also email us on weekdays between 8am and 6:30pm. Our email addresses are hphillips@hornsmill.cheshire.sch.uk and alawrie@hornsmill.cheshire.sch.uk



Mrs Phillips Teacher



Mr Lawrie Teacher



Miss Morris Teaching Assistant

A typical day in Team 4...

8.30-8.50am	Morning challenges and register	1.15pm	Register, happy breathing and class read
8.55am	Reading and Spelling or Ready Steady Read (dependent on learning needs)	1.30pm	Handwriting, DEAR time and topic learning- science, PE, French, music, computing, RE, Myhappymind, PSHE, circle time,
			history, geography, art, DT
9.50am	Snack	3.10pm	Tidy up
10.00am	Maths	3.15pm	Home time
11.05am	Break		
11.20am	English		
12.25pm	Lunch		

Our PE day will be a **Thursday**. This term we will be going swimming so we ask that children come to school in their normal school uniform and bring their swimming items in a labelled bag. We also ask that they bring a coat to keep them warm after swimming and to also stop them getting wet if it rains!



Expectations for home learning...

Reading has a huge impact on children's learning. Therefore, children are expected to read for 10 minutes, 5 times a week at home and to record this in their reading record. Reading records and colour coded books should be brought into school every day and will be changed on a Monday.



Once your child has filled their reading record, we kindly ask that they bring a small notebook into school to use instead.

Children will also complete reads with additional adults during the school day to maximise their progress. The amount of reads

children are doing, evidenced in their reading record, will be logged each week to track children's progress and fluency.

Your child will have a multiplication check at the end of Team 4. To prepare for this and better their mathematical skills, your child has a TT Rockstar login that they can access for free at home. We ask that the children regularly practise their times tables at home for at least 15 minutes a week to help prepare them for this check and to also help them with other math's units they complete later in the year that require the knowledge of times tables.

A link to home learning will be sent out every half-term and can also be found on our class page of the school's website. This includes some spelling and maths to complete as well as some suggestions for reading and practical activities.

Exciting things ahead...

We have lots of exciting things planned for our curriculum this year including a residential trip for two nights in the summer term, a fantastic enterprise project at Christmas in which we run our very own Christmas markets and also learning about a range of different periods of time including the Romans and the Ancient Greeks. To find out more about our curriculum, please visit our class page on the school website.

How to keep updated

You can keep up to date with what we are doing in class by following our school X (formerly Twitter) account which is @HMillSchool

We are looking forward to a brilliant year!

Kind Regards,

Mrs Phillips and Mr Lawrie