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Year 4 Newsletter

Spring Term 2

Welcome back! We hope you had a restful half term break. With Easter fast approaching, this half term promises to be jam-packed with many new opportunities along the way. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to speak to Miss Hosker or Mrs Lynch. Thank you for your continued support.

Miss Hosker and Mrs Lynch

English

This half term our focus will be writing a diary entry and creating a newspaper article which aligns with our Geography topic, *wonderful water*. The children will be exploring the writing text 'Rhythm of the Rain' by Grahame Baker-Smith. We will be looking specifically at emotive language and other key features of diary entries and newspaper articles.

Maths

Our focus will be fractions. We will be learning to add and subtract fractions with the same denominator as well as understanding how to find a fraction of an amount.

In class, we place much focus on times-tables and practise daily. The Multiplication Tables Check is closer than we think. TTRS tasks are set weekly and the children practise their TTRS every morning. However, please encourage your child to practise at home daily.

RE

We will be looking at exploring Easter as a story of betrayal and trust. This will give the children an opportunity to reflect upon the importance of power and the effect of betrayal, trust and forgiveness.

Science

Our focus will be *living things and their habitats*. We will be identifying and classifying living organisms and using classification keys to identify animal characteristics.

Homework

Online learning tasks will be set weekly via *Purple Mash* (Spelling) and *TT Rockstars*. I will be sending home paper copies of spellings each week for those who cannot access the online resources.

In addition to this, I will also be sending home a grammar worksheet or comprehension task to complete.

Homework is sent home on Friday and is due the following Friday. It is imperative that the children are completing their TTRS tasks as these show gaps in knowledge in which can be targeted in preparation for the test.

Reading Books

Children should be reading daily at home and recording it in their reading record.

We have now introduced reading logs in the classroom that will be checked every Friday. A prize box dip is rewarded if the children read three times over the week. We are aiming to foster a love for reading.

Geography

Our focus this half term is *Wonderful Water*. In this topic, we will be looking at the water cycle in addition to recognising and explaining how different types of flooding affects communities. We will also be looking at the effects of droughts on communities.

We will be visiting Sea Life at the Trafford Centre to link our knowledge of the water cycle and pollution to the effect it has on living organisms.

Core Christian Value



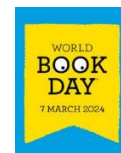
Resilience



Thursday 7th March – World Book Day

Wednesday 20th March- Parents Evening

Thursday 28th March – Break up for Easter



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Our School Uniform:



READY



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SAFE

At Little Heaton CE Primary School, we are all expected to wear the correct school uniform:



Grey trousers

Grey skirt or pinafore dress

Light blue polo shirt, light blue shirt or blouse

School V neck maroon sweatshirt or cardigan with the school logo on the front (logo is optional)

School tie

Maroon Fleece

A Blue gingham summer dress can be worn in the Summer (no other colour dresses please).

Black shoes - **no trainers**

From Monday 26th February, **ALL** pupils must bring their PE kits into school to change into on PE days.



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