

Dear Parents / Carers,



Welcome to your child's last term in Hazel Tree Class - we cannot believe this year has gone so quickly!!

We hope you had a lovely Easter holidays and are ready for a very busy but enjoyable last term.

Below are some reminders and information for our class. We try to keep to these routines every week but will occasionally change items to suit the needs of the children and any other additional events happening in school.

#### Curriculum:

- Our Geography topic for this term is What would you find at the end of a river? and the children will be looking the features of a river as well as where they start and end. They will also be learning about famous rivers in the UK. In History we will be studying the Ancient Greeks and learning about who they were, why were they important and what do we remember about them. Our Science focus this term is Sound and the children will learn about what causes sound; how sound is made and ways in which we can change sounds. Please read through our curriculum overview and knowledge organisers to see some of the exciting things planned.

#### Reading:

- Children are encouraged to read at home at least three times each week. Please note in the school planner when your child has read, the page number reached and any comment you may wish to make. School planners will be checked on a weekly basis but planners should be in school each day so reading and any other notes can be recorded.
- All children will complete a whole class guided read, focusing on different reading skills and activities each day. Whenever possible, children are also heard to read individually, so assessment continually takes place.
- Please try to read with your child on a frequent basis; ten minutes a day makes such a difference. We always encourage children to read other material/books, not just their school reading books. The local libraries are also an excellent way to encourage and support reading for pleasure. These can also be noted in the reading section of the school planners.

#### Spellings:

- Spellings will be posted on our Google Classroom page each Friday and the children will be tested the following Friday.
- These will focus on either a particular spelling rule/pattern and will also include some words taken from the statutory word list. They will be taught and practised throughout the week in school also.
- Weekly spellings will be available on [Spellingframe.co.uk](http://Spellingframe.co.uk) so the children can practice them online and play games.

### PE:

- Children will have Outdoor PE on a Tuesday and Indoor PE on a Thursday and should come to school in their PE kits on these days. PE kits should be their house colour t-shirt, black shorts/leggings/joggers and a black jacket/hoodie.

### Homework:

- Homework will be set and posted on our Google classroom page on a Friday and this should be completed by the following Thursday. Once the deadline has passed, you will not be able to access the activity.
- Homework will be an activity on LBQ linked to the unit of work they are covering in class, so they should be able to complete the activity independently. However, if your child feels they need some extra support to complete the activity they should ask in school asap.

### MTC:

- The MTC is an on-screen check consisting of 25 times table questions. Your child will have 6 seconds to answer each question, with a 3 second pause in between questions. Please regularly quiz your children on times table recall. There are also lots of online apps, card games and puzzles widely available to support children to learn their tables in a fun and engaging way. We also ask that you encourage your child to use TTRS and URBrainy regularly. We will be administering the check during the week beginning Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June so please make sure your child is in school all week.

### Year 4 Residential:

- Our residential to Tyn-Y-Felin, Anglesey, will take place on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2026. More information will be sent out within the next few weeks. In the meantime, if you have any questions regarding our trip, please don't hesitate to ask.

If there are ever any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch, either by popping in or telephoning. The support you give is essential for your child's progress and the closer we can work together the better it will be for them. If you are on Twitter, please follow @hazeltreegsp to see regular updates.

Thank you for your continued support, we look forward to working with you and the children.

Kind regards,

Mrs S. Rowlands and Miss J. Heywood

