

English

During the Summer term we will use the Talk4Writing text 'Amazing Aliens' to write a recount and then an information text. After this we will use another Talk4Writing text 'The Papaya that spoke' to write a story with some dialogue. Children will learn these texts off by heart and then use them to create their very own. Throughout each lesson, children will continue to develop their composition, spelling, grammar and vocabulary skills.

We continue to have phonics every day for those children still on the Read, Write, Inc programme. The children will also have regular whole class reading sessions to develop their word reading and comprehension skills. Our current whole class reading text is 'Claude at the Palace'.



PE

PE will take place on a Monday and Friday each week for the first half term. We will be focussing on Tennis and Gymnastics. We are extremely lucky to have a range of specialist coaches that come into school to teach PE each week.

Please ensure PE kits are in school for the above sessions and that trainers are included in your child's kits. Outdoor kit will be needed for PE on a Friday.

Please ensure all kit and uniform is **clearly named**.



Reading Books

Please ensure your child brings their reading books and reading diary to school on a daily basis, thank you. It is important that your child reads as much as possible. Please record when your child has read at home, in their reading diary. We change reading books on a Monday and Friday.



Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter Summer Term 2024



Welcome back!

We hope that you have had a lovely Easter break and that the children are well rested for the new term ahead.

The following information will help you in supporting your child's learning at home. If you have any concerns or queries, please do not hesitate to call in and see me at the end of the school day.

To keep completely up to date with our learning you can follow our Year 2 Twitter page: @MissM_HCPS.

Year 2 Team: Miss Midgley, Mrs Pickles, Miss Bragiel and Mrs Harrison

Computing

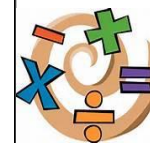
In the Summer term, children will develop their skills in coding. Children will learn how to robot algorithms, create and debug programs and use logical reasoning to make predictions.

Children will continue to use Natterhub on a regular basis, which provides fun and interactive online safety learning.

Maths

In maths this term, children will begin by exploring fractions. Children will learn how to find a half, quarter and a third of objects and numbers. Children will then focus on learning to tell the time. We will begin by learning to tell the time in 15 minute intervals before moving on to learn the time in 5 minute intervals using an analogue clock.

By the end of Year 2, children need to be confident in recalling key multiplication and division facts for the 2, 5 and 10 times tables. Any extra practise that can be done on these at home would be very beneficial for your child. TTRockstars and Hit the button are great online platforms to help with this skill. Throughout each lesson, children will continue to develop their reasoning and problem solving skills.



Remember we have our online learning platforms to help your child with their maths at home. These are Mathletics and TT Rockstars.

Religious Education and World Views

RE lessons will be taught by Mrs Pickles. The focus for the first half term will be 'Questions, questions?' Children will think about and discuss their ultimate questions in relation to truth, creation, God and life and they will know the answers that different religions and world views offer. Learning about the different cultures and beliefs from around the world has never been so important, and the children have learnt a huge amount about the different cultures we have studied so far. If you have any artefacts or information, as ever we would love to hear from you.



Safety and PSHE/HeartSmart

Children will have weekly HeartSmart lessons. HeartSmart is a creative approach that we use to build character, emotional health and resilience in children. We want everyone at Hutton Cranswick School to know that they are loved, cared for and valued. Our first HeartSmart topic for the summer term is 'Fake is a mistake' and the theme for after half term is 'No way through, isn't true'. In E-Safety we will use age appropriate videos that teach safety online with aspects such as why passwords and personal information should be kept private and what to do if you see something online that you don't like the look of. We will also use Natterhub to teach online safety to children. As ever, we continue to teach children during PSHE sessions, the importance of staying safe. We cover e-safety and staying safe online, staying safe by the sea, railway and on the road.



Learning Challenge

Our whole school theme for the Summer term is 'Our World and Beyond'. Our Learning Challenge is Geography based: *"Why does our weather change each season?"* Within this learning challenge, children will be able to explain how the weather changes throughout the year and name the seasons. They will also learn that physical features have an impact on the weather in a particular area and they will have opportunities to use fieldwork to deepen their understanding on how the weather affects our school environment and local area.

For our learning challenge, please take a look at the Knowledge Organiser in your child's reading journal. We would be grateful if you could discuss this with your child at home.

If you have anything related to our topic that you would like to share, we would love to see it! We will take great care of anything brought in.



Art/D&T



Our Art and D&T sessions will link with our learning challenges, where possible. In Art, children will be developing their skills in painting and mixed media. In D&T, children will create a fruit salad for cooking and nutrition. Children will design, make and evaluate their own fruit salad and learn techniques such as cutting, grating and peeling. These lessons will be taught by Mrs Pickles.

Homework

Children will receive weekly spellings to learn every Thursday and they will be tested the following Thursday. The spelling tests will be led by Mrs Pickles. Children can practise their spellings online using Spelling Shed and all of the spellings tested are words that children must be able to spell by the end of Year 2 set from the National Curriculum. Children will also bring home reading books and reading journals. I kindly ask that you listen to your child read as often as you can and record this in the reading journal. This really does help and support their reading progress. Please also use the online learning platforms; TTRockstars, Spelling Shed, Mathletics and Purple Mash as and when you wish for additional learning at home.

Story Time

We always read a class story, and other short stories, at the end of each day. We read a range of stories with a diverse range of genre, authors, diversity and culture.

Please make sure you ask your child what we are reading!

