



Newsletter



	<i>Pupils Involved</i>	<i>Event</i>
Monday 15 th May		
Tuesday 16 th May	Whole school Reception	PE No after school clubs Heights & Weights (NHS)
Wednesday 17 th May		
Thursday 18 th May	Years 3 & 4	Quad Kids schools games festival (at Kielder) Need PE kit.
Friday 19 th May		
Monday 22 nd May		
Tuesday 23 rd May	Whole school	PE
Wednesday 24 th May	Year 2, 3 & 4	'Travelling to Pentecost' Simonburn Church visit. Packed lunches required.
Thursday 25 th May		
Friday 26 th May	School closes for half term holiday. Return to school 5 th June.	



*Please contact school as soon as possible if your child is absent – thank you.
For the safety of all children - please inform school directly if there are any changes to your
child's home time arrangements – thank you.*

*Whilst we're at Kielder we'll still be picking up messages and you can reach us on the
Primary School number : 01434 250257*

What's happening in my classroom?

Reception

Topic – Into the Forest. Book of the week- Errol's Garden by Gillian Hibbs

Personal and Social Development- We will embark on our new adventure at Kielder Primary School. We will get to know the children at Kielder Primary School and take turns and play cooperatively with our new friends.

Communication and Language- We will begin to study our new story Errol's garden which will lead to us to study our local area (we will focus on Kielder). We will talk about visits we have each had to Kielder and focus on using past, present and future tenses.

Physical Development - In PE, we will work on multiskills with Mr.Ellison. We will practise our handwriting.

Literacy- We will continue to follow our Read, Write Inc phonics programme and recap the set 2 sounds learnt so far. We will learn our last set 2 special friend 'oy' - toy for a boy. We will write a super sentence about a time when we have visited Kielder in the past.

Mathematics- We made a fantastic start on doubling last week but we are going to continue our work on doubles to really consolidate our knowledge so that we can recite double facts to 5 at speed. We may even think of creatures we would find in the garden and practice our doubling using them (doubling butterfly).

Understanding the World – Our new book sequence focuses on us becoming more familiar with our local area. As we are in Kielder we will focus on the local area of Kielder and talk about the similarities and differences to Bellingham.

Expressive Arts and Design – We will use green and yellow playdough to try and make a sunflower. We will try to practice drawing sunflowers in our enhanced provision areas.

How to help at home- Please try and read at least 3 times at home.

Year 1

Maths: This week, we will be consolidating our knowledge of counting in 5s and creating equal groups. We will also introduce arrays and see how arrays can help us count in 2s, 5s and 10s.

English: This week, we will be finishing our story 'The Secret Sky Garden'. We will compare Funni before and after creating the new car park. We will also make our own book reviews of the story.

How to help at home? Please read at least 3 times and practice counting in 2s, 5s and 10s.

Year 2

English: Our core book this half term is 'The journey home'. This week we will be writing fact files about a dodo and making predictions about why these animals are in a boat.

Maths: Our topic is fractions, we will be learning how to find $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{2}{4}$, $\frac{1}{3}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$ of a length and an amount.

Year 3 & 4

Maths: this week in maths we will be working on place value. We will consolidate our understanding of how many tens make up hundreds numbers (Year 3) and how many hundreds make up thousands numbers (Year 4). We will then be composing and decomposing 3 digit numbers (Year 3) and 4 digit numbers (Year 4) using partitioning.

We will also continue to practice our 2, 4 and 8 times tables, and aim for instant answers of addition and subtraction questions using 1 digit numbers.

English: continuing to read The Bluest of Blues, we will discover the next part of Anna's life story, and write another diary entry, thinking about providing evidence for every part of "Anna is a treasure hunter. Anna is an artist. Anna is a scientist." We will then move on to writing some Found Poetry, first using influences from the book, and then from our environment at Kielder Castle.

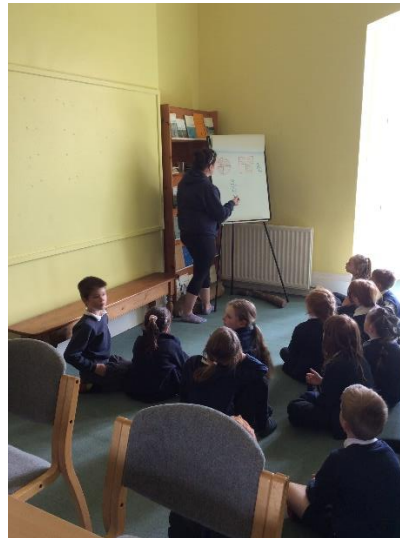
Our learning environment at Kielder will also provide us lots of opportunities to practice our geography skills - using maps and following and giving grid references - and to learn more about the parts and functions of plants for our science learning. We can continue to develop our art skill of sketching taking our sketch pads with us on our adventures.



We are obviously in our new learning spaces this week (and next) and plan to make the most of our surroundings.

Thank you to Forestry England and Kielder Primary School staff for making us feel so welcome.

Our new learning environment.



Well done to those who took part in the Children's Cancer Run yesterday.
It was lovely to be together keeping fit and healthy in the sunshine.

