



Newsletter



Monday 16th November 2020



	<i>Pupils Involved</i>	<i>Event</i>
Monday 16 th November		
Tuesday 17 th November	Whole school	PE - come to school in PE kit.
Wednesday 18 th November	Reception	Forest school
Thursday 19 th November	Whole school	PE - come to school in PE kit.
Friday 20 th November	Whole school - 'Feel Good Friday'	'Wear what you want' day and bring a donation of food to make a hamper for Stop Gap - a charity for the homeless in Hexham who usually get our harvest collection. Thank you.
Monday 23 rd November		
Tuesday 24 th November		PE - come to school in PE kit.
Wednesday 25 th November	Reception	Forest school
Thursday 26 th November		PE - come to school in PE kit.
Friday 27 th November	Whole school Feel Good Friday	'Wear what you want' day just for fun!



*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.*

*If your child has any COVID-19 symptoms you will be asked to get them tested or
isolate for the government recommended period.
We thank you for your support in this unusual situation and hope you appreciate
that as a school we cannot take any unnecessary risks.*

What are we doing this week?

Reception Topic - Into the Dark **Book of the week**- Emily Brown and the Thing

Personal and Social Development- *They are confident to speak in a familiar group, will talk about their ideas, and will choose the resources they need for their chosen activities.* Children will talk about their favourite stories and tell these to their friends. They will talk about the imaginary world they can see through their "see in the dark glasses".

Communication and Language - *They answer 'how' and 'why' questions about their experiences and in response to stories or events..* Children will listen to Emily Brown stories and respond to these stories through answering questions and role play.

Physical Development - *Shows increasing control over an object in pushing, patting, throwing, catching or kicking it.* PE with Mr Ellison.

Literacy - *Children use their phonic knowledge to write words in ways which match their spoken sounds. Can segment the sounds in simple words and blend them together and knows which letters represent some of them.* Children will go on an Emily Brown adventure , reading the clues to find the hidden objects. They will write potion recipes and potion labels for potions made in the water area.

Mathematics- *In practical activities and discussion, beginning to use the vocabulary involved in adding* . Children will continue to work on practical addition and write simple addition number sentences.

Understanding the World - *They talk about the features of their own immediate environment and how environments might vary from one another..* Children will compare their imaginary worlds with the Forest School environment..

Expressive Arts and Design - *Introduces a storyline or narrative into their play* . Children will create their own magical potions in the water area, make "see in the dark glasses" and create imaginary worlds in small world, role play and Forest School.

Class 1 : English- Our core book for this half term is 'Traction Man'. This week will focus on the character 'Traction Man'. We will complete a character description and have a go at some teacher in role- hot seating. We will then go on to complete a diary entry in the role of Traction Man.

Maths- Addition and subtraction: Year 1 will be continuing with subtraction and will begin to use a number to count backwards. We will then move on to finding the difference. Year 2 will continue to add together 2-two digit numbers focusing on the value of each number before we add them together. We will then move onto subtraction and focus on subtracting a 2 digit number from a 2 digit number.

Science- We will recap what materials a range of objects are made from. We will then distinguish between an object and the material from which it is made. Year 2 will focus on if the material is natural or man-made.

D&T- We will find out what a wheel mechanism is and how to create one. We will make our own wheel mechanism.

History- We will be finding out what toys were like at different times in the past. We will begin to look at this on a timeline and discover which toys were popular in the five different decades from the 1950s to the 1990's.

R.E- We will talk about what we know about Christmas and why it is celebrated. We will read the nativity story and focus on why the three wise men gave the gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

PSED- Circle solutions focusing on strengths, dreams and values.

P.E- Ball skills and games with Mr Ellison.

How to help at home- continue to read 3 times a week. Learn spellings and complete Maths homework which is on class dojo.

Class 2 :

English - this week we focus on language and how vocabulary changes over time. We will spend time researching different inventors and changes in technology and inventions. The groups will then present their findings to the class.
Maths - this week we finish our topic in addition and subtraction by looking at how to check our answers. We then move onto our new multiplication and division topic beginning with emphasis on our 2, 5 and 10 times tables.
Science - our electricity topic continues this week with us looking at electrical circuits. We will learn how to complete a circuit.

Topic - this week we focus on cave art and the evidence that we have to show what life in the Stone Age was like.

Art - our autumn topic continues with further focus on leaves, we are aiming to make a collage at the end of our topic with all of our work on leaves with different pencils, paints and oil pastels.

PE - Games with Mr Ellison

French - this week we learn the vocabulary of the body. We will focus on learning 'heads, shoulders, knees and toes' using the French vocabulary.

Computing - our focus in computing for this half term is online safety, we will learn about cyber bullying and what we can do to help this.

RE - this week we look at the main beliefs in Christianity and the Ten Commandments.

Help at Home - please read with your child at least three times per week, can we also make sure that reading records are brought in each Friday. Practice for spellings ahead of the spelling test on Friday would be brilliant also.



'Feel Good Friday'

We've been thinking a lot about our own feelings during these sometimes tricky times and have agreed that the feelings of others are really important.

It makes us feel good if we can help others to feel the same!



Children in Need.

So far we've collected £91 – well done everyone!

If you still need to make your donation for Friday's event please use your Parentpay account – thank you .



This Friday we're helping out the homeless charity based in Hexham, Stop Gap, by collecting food items.

We will have boxes placed at each entrance for your donations of non-perishable foods to be taken to Hexham after school. (tinned goods, tea, coffee and dried foods)

Thank you to those who have already brought their donations to school.

Children can come to school in any non-uniform this week.

