




Newsletter



Monday 7th November 2022



	<i>Pupils Involved</i>	<i>Event</i>
Monday 7 th November		
Tuesday 8 th November	Whole school Year 4 Reception	PE - come in PE kit. After school club (Mr Ellison) finish at 4pm. Visit to Wentworth 'School Sports Organising Crew' - packed lunch required. Forest school (need outdoor clothes etc)
Wednesday 9 th November		
Thursday 10 th November	Year 2 & Class 2	Swimming - children will need their swimming kit including a towel and goggles. Please use your ParentPay account to pay for swimming sessions - thank you.
Friday 11 th November	Whole school Forest School	Singing Reception & Year 1
Monday 14 th November		
Tuesday 15 th November	Whole school Reception	PE - come in PE kit. Forest School session
Wednesday 16 th November		
Thursday 17 th November	Year 2 & Class 2	Swimming
Friday 18 th November	Whole school	 Children in Need Day. (ParentPay set up ready for donations) Singing with Mr Tait.



Please contact our school office on 220230 as soon as possible if your child is absent
or you have any changes to normal hometime arrangements- thank you.

What's happening in my classroom?

Reception Topic –Into the Dark Book of the week- Owl Babies by Martin Waddell

Communication and Language- We will talk about Bonfire Night and describe our experiences in as much detail as we can.

Personal and Social Development- We will think about the feelings of characters in our stories. We will talk about how we feel about the dark.

Physical Development – In PE, we will continue to take part in gymnastics with Mr Ellison. We will continue to develop our fine motor skills by writing our letter sounds and names in glitter using a paintbrush.

Literacy- This week we will be learning the letter sounds sh, r, j and v. We will practise our blending by reading words around the classroom as we go on a bonfire night hunt. We will build up our own words on rockets.

Mathematics- In Maths we will consolidate our understanding of numbers 1-5 focusing on number bonds to 5. We will begin to use a tens frame and play games to support this.

Understanding the World – We will make some edible sparklers and eat them while we talk about our bonfire night experiences. We will be exploring the dark both inside and outside and describing what we can see, hear and feel.

We will continue to learn about Diwali and look at the similarities and differences to the events we celebrate e.g bonfire night. We will also talk about Remembrance Day.

Expressive Arts and Design – We will create our own firework and Remembrance Day pictures.

In Forest Schools we will create fireworks using outside materials. We will write and perform our own poem about how we feel in the woods at night.

Year 1:

Maths- Continuing our topic on addition and subtraction, we will be focusing on number bonds within 10 this week. We will also look at using our prior learning to create fact families before moving on to starting to add two numbers together using concrete objects to help.

English- This week, we will continue looking at our story of 'The Dark', looking at feelings people may have towards the dark and giving advice on how people can overcome their fears of the dark. We will finish by having a go at pretending to be the main character and deciding whether we would get over our fear of the dark.

Science- Continuing to look at materials we will be looking at items and deciding whether they are an everyday object or whether they are a material. We will sort objects into everyday materials and everyday products.

History- Continuing our topic on the Great Fire of London we will be looking at how jobs are different between 1666 and 2022. We will focus on the role of the fire service and discuss the differences in the job over time.

R.E- We will be looking at the nativity story this week, talking about the gifts that Jesus was given and why he was given the gifts. We will then retell the nativity story through drawing pictures.

Music- We will be looking at rhythm through music, raps and chants.

P.S.H.E- This week in P.S.H.E we will be looking at celebrating differences.

P.E- We will continue our weekly lessons with Mr Ellison focusing on Gymnastics and have our forest school session with Mrs Gray this week.

Computing- This week, we will be looking at using online paint brushes to paint a picture of choice. We will discuss the types of online brushes we can use.

How to help at home- please try and read at least 3 times a week and practice our 5 weekly spellings.

Year 2

English: Our core text this half term is 'Toys in space' by Mini Grey. This week we will be using prepositions to write a diary entry and using different sentence types to write in role. We will also be writing a letter to Hoottopize to give advice using modal verbs.

Maths: Our topic is addition and subtraction. This week we will be adding 3 one digit numbers together. We will be adding a 2 digit number to a 2 digit number using tens and ones.

Science: Our topic this half term is materials. This week we will be doing investigating the best material for an umbrella.

History: Our topic this half term is toys from the past. This week we will learning about what toys our parents and grandparents played with and comparing them to our toys.

Design Technology: Our topic this half term is moving pictures. This week we will be exploring moving pictures and making our own sliding mechanism.

Computing: Our topic this half term is computer art. This week we will be using the paint app on the i-pads to paint a poppy.

R.E: Our topic this half term is why is light and dark important to Christians at christmas? We will be exploring what we celebrate and what Christians celebrate.

Music: Our topic this half term is 'Ho, ho, ho' and we will be learning to identify different musical instruments. We will be learning to sing Christmas songs.

P.E: Our topic this half term is gymnastics and swimming.

PSHE: Our topic this half term is celebrating differences. This week we will be exploring assumptions made about girls and boys and looking at why we think certain toys, bedding ect stereotypically belong to a certain gender.

How to help at home: Fill in the sheet with what toys you played with when you were little.

Year 3 & 4

English - This week we are finishing our scripts and performing them to the rest of the class using our stage directions to help us. We are then going to be designing our own Stone Age games and writing instructions on how to play these. We will be considering how Ug's life is different to ours and finding similarities also. At the end of the week, we will begin to research different scientists and inventors to find out about the impact they have had on our lives.

Maths -

Year 3 - This week Year 3 will be adding and subtracting 3 digit numbers and 2 digit numbers. They will then be working on numbers that complement to 100 before estimating answers to addition and subtraction questions using rounding skills.

Science - We are beginning to explore circuits today and trying to make a complete circuit.

Design and Technology - We will be considering where we see light up signs and using our science knowledge to explore circuits.

History - We are beginning to investigate what it would be like to live in the Stone Age. We will also be learning about the three different periods in the Stone Age.

RE - This week we are going to learn about the journey that Mary and Joseph went on to get to Bethlehem.

French - This week we are going to be learning about pets and being able to say which pets we have and would like.

PE - Gymnastics with Mr Ellison, swimming on Thursday and Year 4 training to be School Sports Organising Crew at the Wentworth on Tuesday.

PSHE - We will be continuing our work on families by considering family conflict.

Helping at Home - Please read with your child at least three times a week and discuss what happens in the story.



Year 4 : School Sports Organising Crew

We have been invited to join the staff at Wentworth Leisure Centre this week to train as Sports Crew. This is an exciting opportunity for our older children, working with other schools and gaining leadership experience.

They'll be out all day and will need:

- PE kit
- Packed lunch
- Water bottle

After school clubs...

- Sports activities will begin again tomorrow (8th November) We'll add permission slips and consent to Parentpay(no charge)

Due to lack of interested parties we are unable to offer 'Full of Beans' this term.

Apologies to those who had opted in.



BBC 'Children in Need' Friday 18th November.

We'll be coming to school wearing something 'spotty' and can use Parentpay to make a donation.

Thank you.

Whilst we wait for parts to be repaired to our school heating system it may not be as warm as we'd like it be in school (this doesn't seem to bother our children happily wearing t-shirts!)

In case of a cold - weather spell we suggest an extra layer under your school sweatshirt.

Fingers crossed it'll all be sorted and we'll be toasty warm.