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Newsletter

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Dear parents/carers,

Welcome back to the second half of the spring term. It is so nice to see the first sights of spring and the days getting brighter too. I hope you all managed to have a restful half term and a well-deserved break from home schooling activities.

Following the Prime Minister's announcement on Monday evening I am pleased to say that we are very much looking forward to welcoming all the children back to school on Monday 8th March. As before, we will be continuing to keep both classes separate; with separate entrances and exits of the school building and separate playground areas. At the end of the school day, class 2 children will be brought up the side lane of the school to avoid congestion and class 1 children will be brought to the front entrance. Please can we remind parents that social distancing is still required when dropping off and picking up your children.

You will have seen that we have been preparing lots of pre-recorded lessons for the children and uploading these to our school YouTube channel. We have had a few technical issues with adding links within the lesson, but I hope this will be less disruptive next week as staff become more familiar with uploading the videos. We now need all parent's consent to be able to use YouTube in school. The children will be supervised when using YouTube and will only be able to access the school YouTube channel. We will continue to use our pre-recorded lessons with all the children when they return to school on the 8th March, so it is important that all parents given consent to enable this to happen. **To give consent please go to the 'payments' section of School Gateway and make sure to check the consent out of your basket.**

Take care and have a great weekend,
Mrs Cook

Next week's Learning Packs

Next week will be the last week that learning packs will be needed. Please ensure that you only take the pack labelled for your child's class or year group. We have already sent out 2 weeks of maths learning so you will have the resources needed for maths. All other areas of the curriculum will be available to collect from Friday afternoon in the class boxes outside school.

School Dinners

Dinners will be available to all children when they return. Please use the school gateway system to order your child/ren a meal. We are asking that parents check that the meals have been ordered each day as we telephone Hatherleigh kitchen each morning with the information we receive. As dinners come in an individual prepared food boxes, there are no spare dinners delivered and we will have to contact parents to bring their child in a packed lunch. Should you wish to cancel a booking at any time, please phone the school before 9am that day and we can do that for you.



Forest School Shelter

Over the last few weeks, the foundations for our new forest school shelter have been dug and we are hoping that it will be completed by Easter. This will enhance our sessions and enable the children to be outdoors regardless of the ever-changing weather! Forest school sessions for both classes will continue each Thursday in school, please make sure that your child has their wellies in school every week.



Teams Meetings

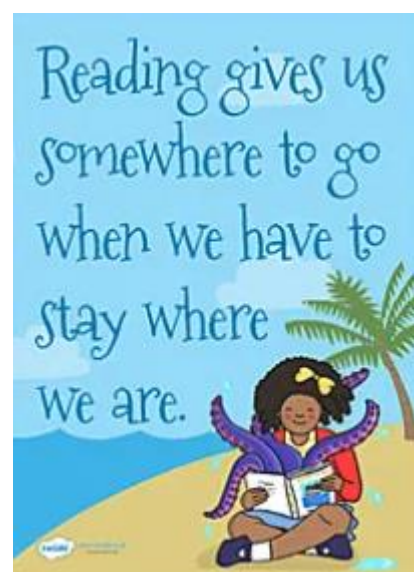
Next week will be our last team meeting with the children who are learning remotely from home. It has been a lovely opportunity to see the children and for them to see each other as well as discussing and sharing the learning they have been doing. Once again, a huge thank you to parents for helping to set this up for your children at home. A link for the meeting is set up in your calendar. The times for next week's meetings are:

- **Reception, year 1 and 2** – WEDNESDAY at 1pm
- **Year 3 and 4** - WEDNESDAY at 11am
- **Year 5 and 6** – THURSDAY at 11am

Reading

A big well done to all those children who have continued to keep up with their reading. It has been lovely to see parents and children coming to collect reading books from the lending library we set up at the beginning of the spring term. Please remember to keep a record of how your child is engaging in their reading by recording this in their reading record book. This will help to support staff when the children return to school and enable us to engage in conversations about the books your child has read and ensure that we don't give them the same book they have already read before. Please can we ask that all reading record books are completed and returned to school on Monday 8th March.

We know that it hasn't been easy for all our parents juggling home schooling alongside other commitments, but we just want to remind you that you have been doing a fantastic job and the end is almost in sight! We have one more week to go and then we can get things back to some sense of normality for all our children and families.



World Book Day **Voucher 2021**

All children have been issued this week with a £1 book voucher. You have until 28th March to use your voucher and can choose from 10 **FREE** World Book Day books or alternatively use the voucher to get a £1 discount off any book (priced over £2.99). For more information on this year's titles and where to use your voucher visit www.worldbookday.com



Swimming- Class 1

We are pleased to say that we have managed to re-arrange Class 1's swimming lessons with Aqua Stars to begin this term. As this is not our usual time of year to have lessons, we've had to take what availability the pool could offer. This means that there's some change to the week day in which we'd normally swim, but the time of 1:30-2:30pm remains the same.

- **Monday 29th March**
- **Thursday 22nd, 29th April**
- **Thursday 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th May**



Carpet/Cardboard

If anyone has any old pieces of carpet or thick cardboard lying around it would be greatly appreciated to help hold back the weeds in our spiritual garden area. If you have any going spare, please hand to the class 2 teacher at pick up/drop off.

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Learning Overview

Week beginning Monday 1st – 5th March 2021

Subject	Reception	Year 1 and 2		Year 3 and 4		Year 5 and 6	
English	Creature Features - Dinosaurs by Natasha Durley Writing a sentence	Creature Features - Dinosaurs by Natasha Durley Verbs, adjectives, nouns and punctuation.		Ask Dr K Fisher Using a range of conjunctions			
Phonics/spelling	Revision of phase 3 sounds	Revision of phase 5 sounds		Spelling with 'sh'		Rare GPCs words	Spellings from the 5/6 spelling list
Maths	Exploring money and the value of coins	Ordering numbers within 50 – 1 more and 1 less (counting on a number line)	Making equal groups – exploring our times tables	White Rose Maths Adding and subtracting lengths and Perimeter	White Rose Maths Perimeter	White Rose Maths Area	White Rose Maths Multiply and subtract Fractions
Science	Living and dead or never been alive			Living and dead or never been alive			
Topic	Exploring conditions in the north pole and how people and animals survive there.			Exploring conditions in the south pole and how scientists live and work there temporarily in research stations.			
Music	To continue developing their sense of pulse and rhythm, the children will be learning a rhythmic chant called Clap the Rhythm <u>With Me</u> .			The children will have the opportunity to explore the Percussion family of the orchestra and be inspired by the <u>world renowned</u> percussionist, Evelyn Glennie, as you explores feeling sound and performs a piece on the marimba.			
Forest School	Exploring signs of Spring in the outdoor environment						
PSHE	Talking without words			Why Are Responsibility and Inspiration Important?			
RE	Creation: What do some Christians believe was made each day?			People of God: Covenants (promises) God makes			
PE	Weekly challenge from Miss Scullion			Weekly challenge from Miss Scullion			
Art/DT	Observe paintings by Rousseau and complete my half painting			Sketching with a pencil.			

Please find an outline above of the lessons we will be covering this week. All links to all the lessons, including Oak Academy links are on the class Dojo. Staff will be uploading videos and tutorials to help support the children with different subjects. Again, all links to these will be on the class Dojo, children just need to click on the link to view the lessons.

We are asking that children complete 5 lessons of English and maths each week, how you complete these lessons we are leaving to each household to decide. We have included the timetable that the children who are attending school are following, if you can follow this that would be great, but please amend this to best suit your family's needs.

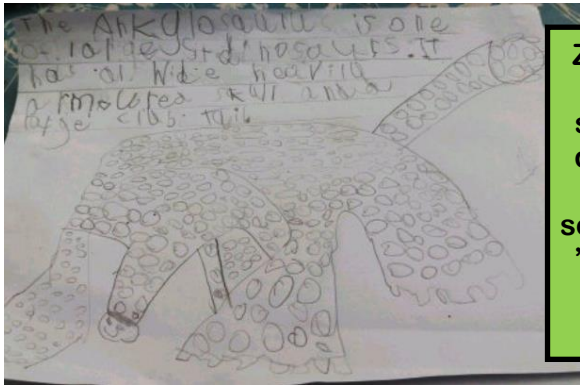
Our weekly teams' meetings have now been set up with years 1 to 6. These weekly meetings will give the children the opportunity to discuss their learning with their class teacher and provide an opportunity for some direct teaching. Please note the time of your child/ren's meetings below:

- Each Wednesday Year 3 and 4 11am
- Each Thursday Year 5 and 6 11am
- **Each Wednesday Year 1 and 2 1pm**

Once again, if there is anything we can support you with, please do not hesitate to contact us directly at school on 01409 221 420 or by email:

admin@northlew.devon.sch.uk

Class 1's Learning This Week



Zac has been busy creating factual sentences about a dinosaur following our new English sequence this week, 'Creature features Dinosaurs'. Great writing Zac!



Ollie was pleased to go inside the willow tepee that class 2 had made during forest school.



In our forest school learning this week, Zac has created his own ice window picture using a range of natural materials. Well done Zac!

Numbers:

1. What number comes next?
2, 4, 6, 8, The numbers are going up by

2. What number is one less than...?
16 20 10
11 19 14
18

3. What number is one more than...?
9 4 15
8 2 17

Tenzo completed a maths revision worksheet focusing on more & less. Well done Tenzo!



Esme drew a picture of a Stegosaurus and used adjectives to describe some of its features.



Laila has been busy using her understanding of the value of money to solve money worded problems. Well done Laila, great maths!

Laila used her understanding of the different food groups to sort out all the different types of food we eat.

Find change

1. Dora has this money.
She pays with a 50p coin.
How much change does Dora get?
She spends 45p.
How much change does Dora get?

2. Tommy has this money.
He spends 41p.
How much change does Tommy get?

3. Alex has this money.
She spends 67p.
How much change does Alex get?

4. Noah buys a balloon for 15p.
She pays with a 50p coin.
How can we work out the change?
 $50 - 15 = 35$
Talk about it with a partner.

5. Annie buys this book.
She pays with a £10 note.
How much change does Annie get?

6. Dexter buys these sweets.
He gives the shopkeeper £1 and 83p.
How much change does Dexter get?



Class 2's Learning This Week

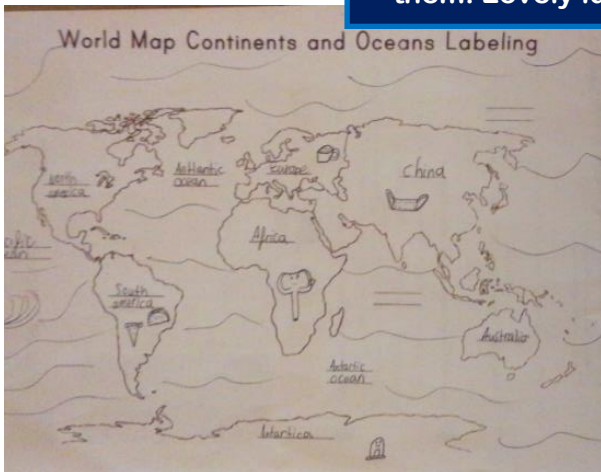


Isobella has very carefully made her own ferret box. She has taken a lot of time and care to make it so precise and secure. Well done!

Arabella clearly presented her maths learning when she was estimating the amount of liquid they would hold. She was very careful with her measuring and thought logically about her estimates. Well done, Arabella.

Aoife has clearly labelled her map for Geography and has used some pictures so that she can help identify them. Lovely idea Aoife.

Item	Estimated (ml)	Actual Capacity	Difference
Jar	500ml	840ml	340ml
Cereal bowl	410ml	400ml	10ml
Dessert pot	100ml	125ml	25ml
Small jug	550ml	890ml	240ml
pan			
Jar			
840ml	500ml	$840 - 500 = 340\text{ml}$	
340ml			
Cereal bowl			
410ml	400ml	$410\text{ml} - 400\text{ml} = 10\text{ml}$	
10ml			
Dessert pot			
125ml	100ml	$125\text{ml} - 100\text{ml} = 25\text{ml}$	
25ml			



Rose has created a lovely letter as a weaverbird for her English. She has used humour within her writing to create a fantastic letter. Well done Rose!

In a flap!

Dear Dr K Fisher,

I am a young weaverbird and I am struggling to build a nest, so all my friends are making fun of me because I can't attract a girlfriend. Why do they need it to be perfect? And my nests are breaking and falling every time I try. My mum said I was all the trophies for the best nest. I want to be more like him.

Please Dr will you help me your my last hope, I have been to everyone in my tree but nobody can help me. I am really begging for your help. I need something, anything.

Your glistered feathered friend,
in the forest.



Marjorie has been very creative with her design of the toilet roll tube for world book day. I was really impressed with how she 'thought out of the box' to make her design more interactive. Good luck with the competition, Marjorie



Darcie has made a beautiful frozen window/suncatcher. The design of it with the edging is fantastic and the colours are really brought out by the ice. Well done, Darcie.

