



SPRING TERM 2

CLASS 2BS

THE PURPOSE OF THIS NEWSLETTER IS TO INFORM YOU OF THE TOPICS THAT YOUR CHILDREN WILL BE STUDYING DURING THIS HALF TERM.



Reading/Literacy

The children will be following the Read Write Inc programme to support their phonics and develop their fluency of reading. In Literacy, we will be focusing on the texts of 'The Owl and the Pussycat' by Edward Lear. The children will be developing their grammatical skills as well as writing letters, interviews, lists, instructions and creating a poem using rhyming words.

Science

In Science the children will be carrying on learning about 'Habitats'. The children will be learning about what food chains are, what makes an animal a predator or prey, understand that the first part of a food chain is always a plant, develop an understanding of how the four seasons can affect what appears in a habitat and how earthworms and their habitats form part of a food chain,

R.E.

In R.E, the children will be focusing on 'Why is Easter important to Christians?'. The children will be learning about the events of Palm Sunday, learning about the significance of the last supper and learning about the events of Jesus being arrested. At the end of this term, the children will be performing their version of the Easter story.

Music

In Music children will continue to explore the pulse and rhythm of a piece of music by listening to different songs and playing instruments.

Home Reading

Home reading books will be sent home to support our Read, Write, Inc. Phonics and reading programmes, as well as books to encourage children to share stories with you and read for pleasure. Please discuss these with your child and sign their reading record daily and return them to school each day. Each child will be entered into a reading challenge where they must read at least 3 times each week.

PSHE

In PSHE (Jigsaw) we will be working on 'Healthy Me'. This will cover how children understand they are being healthy, how children understand they are being relaxed, how they are being safe around medicine, understand what healthy eating is and understand what makes a happy, healthy self.

If you have any concerns that you need to discuss, please speak to me at the end of the day or contact the school office at: hello@stj.hlt.academy or ring the school office if it is urgent.

Maths

Our main areas of study include:

Multiplication and Division:

- 2 times-table
- Doubling and halving
- Odd and even numbers.
- 10 times-table
- 5 times-table

Mass, Capacity and Temperature:

- Comparing mass
- Measuring in grams and kilograms

We will be focusing on the 2, 5 and 10 times tables. Your support at home with helping your children to learn their times tables will be greatly appreciated.

History/Geography

In History, we will be exploring our local topic of 'Beverley Gate', whilst focusing on the question 'Why was Beverley Gate a significant place in Hull's history?'. The children will be exploring what life was like in the 17th century and how it looked in Hull, understanding about who where the significant figures in 1642 and what occurred in 1642.

In Geography, the children will be learning about coastlines and answering the enquiry question 'How is erosion affecting the Holderness Coast?'. The children will learn about coastal erosion and understand how coastal erosion is affecting the Holderness Coast.

Art/D&T

In Art, the children will be carrying on exploring the topic of portraits and poses. We will be analysing the portraits of Tudor monarchs and comparing these to the portraits of today.

In DT, we will be carrying on designing and creating our very own beach huts. During this topic, we will be developing an understanding of how to use saws and glue guns safely and correctly to create our very own beach huts.

Computing

In Computing, the children will be carry on looking at how giving instructions and commands can affect the outcome and we will also be designing algorithms. The children will learn about the importance of being safe online. The children will develop an understanding about how IT benefits society and how to be responsible when using technology.

PE

PE lessons will usually be on a **Wednesday** where the children will be developing their rugby skills. PE kits should be brought into school. Children will need plain red shorts and a plain white T-shirt.