

# Halstow Primary School

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## Spring 1 Newsletter

### Year 2

Dear Year 2 Parents and Guardians,

Happy New Year to all! We hope you are having a lovely beginning to 2024. Please see below an outline of learning this term.

#### Maths

In Maths, we are spending the first two weeks learning about money. We will then be moving on to multiplication and division, which will continue into the second Spring half-term. Whiterose have free parent workbooks that coincide with the units that we cover in our overview.

<https://whiterosemaths.com/parent-resources>

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12
Autumn term	Number <b>Place value</b> FREE TRIAL  VIEW		Number <b>Addition and subtraction</b>  VIEW				Geometry <b>Shape</b>  VIEW					
Spring term	Measurement <b>Money</b>  VIEW	Number <b>Multiplication and division</b>  VIEW				Measurement <b>Length and height</b>  VIEW	Measurement <b>Mass, capacity and temperature</b>  VIEW					
Summer term	Number <b>Fractions</b>  VIEW		Measurement <b>Time</b>  VIEW	Statistics  VIEW		Geometry <b>Position and direction</b>  VIEW		Consolidation				

We are attaching the 'Spring Block 1: Division' workbook, as you may wish to do some practise at home to support your child's understanding.

I hope everyone is continuing with their Times Table Rockstars and there is also a one-minute Maths app made by Whiterose, if you haven't tried it yet, it is free to download:

<https://whiterosemaths.com/1-minute-maths>

You might also find Topmarks to be a useful site for Maths home learning, particularly the Daily Ten: <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/daily10>

## **Literacy**

In Literacy, we are beginning to learn about traditional stories and fairytales. We have already written retellings of the Three Billy Goats Gruff, but will also write our own stories based on the Gingerbread Man, describe characters from traditional tales in different parts of the world, and write a book review for the story of the Good Little Wolf.

We will continue to learn spellings in the classroom, and then send home a list of words so you can consolidate them by practising over the course of the next week.

## **Science**

In Science, we are learning all about materials. We will be classifying materials based on their properties and assessing their suitability for various purposes. We will also learn about Charles Macintosh, who developed a waterproof fabric, inventing modern rainwear.

## **Wider Curriculum**

In History this term, we are learning about maritime history. We will be reflecting on Greenwich's rich connection to the ocean/navy and exploring what maritime life was like. In Art, we are focusing on observational drawing, using both pencil and charcoal. The children are honing their ability to draw an object from sight, its overall shape, details and shading light and dark. In PSHE, we are learning about community helpers and safety. We will discuss diversity and inclusivity in our communities and even learn some sign language! In RE, children will be learning about different celebrations. We will be reflecting on what celebrations are and what celebrations we have experienced. We will then go on to explore the significance of Christmas in Christianity and the significance of Hanukkah in Judaism. In Spanish, we will be learning the different colours through songs and games. In Computing, we are continuing our focus on e-safety. We will then go on to learn about digital literacy, where we will look at how technology is used in different jobs. In PE we will mainly be working on our dynamic and static balance skills, balancing on a line or a beam.

PE Days:

Just a reminder:

Mr Clayton's Class: **Thursdays** and **Fridays**

Miss Hills' Class: **Mondays and Tuesdays**

Can the children wear trainers and comfortable clothes on these days please!

All the best to you and your families,

Mr Clayton and Miss Hills