

Halstow Primary School

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Spring 2 Newsletter - Year 6

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is truly wonderful to have you all back. We hope your breaks were restful and maybe gave you a glimpse of sun?

Spring 2 is a short term (5 weeks!) full of prep for the school journey, World Book Day and so much more!

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Gambier Miss Holder

KEY DATES

27th Feb – Book Fair

3rd March – Class Photos

3rd March – Girls' Football

5th March – World Book Day!

5th March – Parent Meeting (Online) for SATs

9th – 13th March
PGL – Osmington Bay

17th March Girls' Football

26th March – Y4-6 Parents' information meeting about Reading

30th March - 10th April
Easter Break

Maths In maths, our focus will be calculating the area, perimeter and volume of 2-d and 3-d shapes. The children will be learning to apply their understanding of multiplication and scaling to solve problems involving statistics. Their lessons will continue to be supported by online learning with LbQ.

Literacy This term literacy lessons will begin with appreciating, presenting and writing poetry. Children will have the opportunity to engage with lots of different poets and styles of poetry before presenting them in groups and going on to write their own. This will be followed by writing a short story involving a character outsmarting a trickster character (or vice versa!)

Reading Our reading lessons will be based on a range of non-fiction texts and poetry. Please ask your children about what they have been reading and share your own love of reading.

Science Lessons in science will continue our exploration of the circulatory system. The unit will culminate with the children designing their own scientific investigations into how exercise impacts the heart and lungs.

Foundation

The wider curriculum will also provide the children with some great learning experiences this term.

RE: Peace

History: Women's roles after WW2

Geography: North America

Spanish: School subjects

PE: Tchoukball

For an overview of all subjects, please visit the 'Curriculum' page on the Halstow website.

Home Learning

As ever, now is a great time to start building good homework habits. Secondary school can be a bit of a shock to the system, so we have designed a routine children can achieve easily. Every week, children will be assigned an individualised LbQ maths activity. This can be completed in one 20-minute sitting.

Children are also expected to read an age-appropriate book for 20 minutes every evening as well as practise their spellings and visit LbQ or TTRS every day. This works out to roughly 30 minutes per day. Encourage your child to record their books and pages read in their Reading Records.

Walking Home Alone/Mobile Phones

Many families have decided to let their Year 6 children walk home alone and carry a mobile phone with them to school. Mobile phones are not allowed in the classroom and must be handed in to the school office each morning. They will be returned to your child at the end of the day. Children are requested to keep phones off until they have left the school gates.

If you would like to give your child permission to walk home on their own, please email the school office. This ensures we have a record of your child's permissions.

School Journey

The Year 6 School Journey to PGL Osmington Bay in March 2026 is coming quickly. If you have any questions, please get in touch with your class teacher.

All the best to you and your families,

Mrs Gambier and Miss Holder