

TY Summer 1 Newsletter!

A big hello from Mrs Halliday, Mrs Cowie and Ms Whale. We have had such an amazing spring term and are looking forward to what the start of the summer term brings. Thank you for all your support as always.

During **Summer 1**, we will be learning about Geography specifically our country and the Weather. We will be comparing a town and country, locating and identify characteristics of the four countries and capital cities of the UK and its surrounding seas. We will identify seasons and daily weather patterns in the UK and how weather can affect us.

In writing, we will be focusing upon the 'The Lonely Beast' we will be writing out own story about the beast by changing the setting. We will be using adjectives and using 'and' to write compound sentences.

In Science, we are learning about the Seasons, focussing on Spring and Summer. We will talk about the changes in the environment, weather and spot those changes around us while walking to Forest School and around High Spen.

PE

Monday – Striking and Fielding

Thursday / Friday – Basketball / forest school,

Please ensure your child's PE clothing is named.

Please send your child into school wearing warm and suitable PE clothing for the weather as most PE sessions are held outside.

Water bottles

Please make sure your child's water bottle is clearly labelled with their name and brought into class daily for easy access. We have plenty of opportunities for drinking during the day to keep hydrated and have those brains in gear for concentration 😊

HRS Words

In our daily phonics lessons, your child will be introduced to some harder to read and spell (HRS) words. There are lists of these in your child's yellow reading record book. **Please support your child to learn to read and spell these words.** As with the previous keyword system, we will assess your child and inform you of their progress with these. We will highlight progress using different highlighters per term, so please refrain from highlighting these yourself.

Summer term highlighting will be in yellow.

If you wish for paper flash cards, please don't hesitate to ask.

Library books

We visit the library every **Tuesday afternoon.**

Please remind your child to put their library book in our pink box. When a book is returned a new book can be borrowed. We have record of loaned books so please come and ask if you are unsure of the title your child has at home.

Homework

Homework will be sent home on a **Friday** and is to be handed in on the following **Thursday**.

Clear reading folders to come into school every day.

Blue homework folder – return to school on a Thursday.

Homework this term will be

- Maths task
- Harder to Read and Spell words (HRSW)
- Reading books.

Reading

Learning to read is one of the most important skills in your child's life. Reading books will be changed every week so that your child can re-read their books for that week. Please read with your child at least 4 times per week and write a comment in their yellow books each time. (Books will be changed when an adult has commented in the yellow reading record book and according to your child's progress with their book.) This means that your child will get better at reading, and they will get quicker at recognising sounds and words and be able to read with more fluency. The book is a decodable phonics book based around the sounds we are working on in class. Please encourage your child to take care of these new books and support your child with reading books.