

Hedgehog News

I hope you have all had a lovely half term and had some time to relax. We are very excited for this term ahead and all the fun things we will be getting up to on the run down to Christmas.

This half term we will be learning all about farming specifically in the Iron Age this follows on nicely from last term's learning. During this area of learning, we will also be learning about light in our science as well as levers and linkages in our DT lesson while we learn about mechanisms. We will also be working hard on our Nativity ready for Christmas.

Key Information:

- PE kits worn to school on PE days. We will be going back to our 2 PE sessions this half term. These will be on a Monday with swimming and Thursday.
- Swimming will be continuing on Monday's until 5th December.
- Most reminders and updates will be sent via Dojo. Please ensure you have access to this.

Reading Days:

Monday = Red Team Wednesday = Green Team
Tuesday = Yellow Team Thursday = Blue team
Friday - Anyone who has forgotten

Key Dates:

- 31st Oct - 1st Day Back
- 1st Nov - Forest school
- 18th Nov - Children in Need
- 25th Nov - Our Class Worship
- 6th Dec - Forest school
- 9th Dec - Pantomime
- 13th Dec - Nativity afternoon and evening performances.
- 16th Dec - Christingle

Daily Reading Reminder:

Our daily reading has improved a lot in Hedgehog class over the last half term and as a result the children are really enjoying their reading and are being able to access more of the curriculum confidently.

Just a reminder for the daily reading and how it works:

To help them with this we are asking for the children to read 4 out of the 5 days a week. We understand the children are very busy but fitting in 10 minutes of reading a day will allow them to make fantastic progress and hopefully fall in love with reading. Once they have read, please record this in their new homework diary books. A picture below shows how their new diaries can be used. Each morning, when the children come into school, we will be looking in their diaries to see if they have read. If the children have not been able to read 4 out of the 5 times in the week, they can have some catch up reading time during Friday Breaktime. We believe this will support and improve their reading as they move through the year and then the school.

New Homework:

Year 2:

- Daily 10-minute reading with a minimum 4 reading sessions a week.
- Look at and practise how you wish the spellings which come home on the bookmark.
- Listen to times table songs for 2s, 5s, 10s. This may include YouTube or BBC Supermovers (KS1)
- Any extra activities you wish to do on purple mash would be welcomed.

All home learning to be recorded on the homework side of their diaries.

Year 3:

- Daily 10-minute reading with a minimum 4 reading sessions a week.
- Look at and practise how you wish the spellings which come home on the bookmark.
- Listen to times table songs for 2s, 3s, 4s, 5s, 10s. This may include YouTube or BBC Supermovers (KS1 & KS2)
- Use of times table related games such as hit the button. Other games can be found on Topmarks for free.

All home learning to be recorded on the homework side of their diaries.

I look forward to another half term together. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me via Dojo and I'll be happy to help.

Miss Cooper

