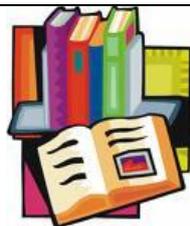


Henry Chadwick Primary School

Year 3/4 Newsletter - Autumn 2022



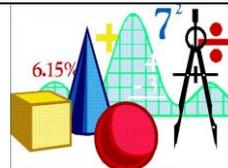
English:

This half term we focus on the text 'Stig of the Dump' by Clive King. This will also link to our topic on the Stone Age. During this half term we will focus on our use of grammar and punctuation including expanded noun phrases, conjunctions and determiners. The children will have a range of writing opportunities linked to the text including a newspaper report, poem and diary entry.

Spelling - Each week we will learn a spelling pattern which will be linked to a spelling booklet that the children will bring home.

Maths:

In Numeracy we will begin with Place Value. Year 3 and Year 4 will continue to be taught Numeracy separately. **Year 3** will begin by partitioning and representing numbers to 100 before moving onto partitioning and representing numbers to 1000. **Year 4** will begin by partitioning and representing numbers to 1000 before moving onto round numbers to the nearest 10 and 1000. We will then move onto to work with numbers up to 10, 000.



Topic

We will learn about the Stone Age. We will be learning about when the Stone Age was and what life was like in the Stone Age. We will learn which animals were alive.

Science

This half term we will learn about rocks. comparing and grouping rocks, according to their properties. We will learn how soil and rocks are formed and will be finding out about Mary Anning and the contribution she made to Palaeontology.



ICT

This half-term our focus will be E-safety. We will be learning what plagiarism as well as defining what spam is and exploring strategies for safely managing unwanted messages. We will also be learning about keeping personal information private and identifying where to go for help and support when they have concerns about content or contact on the internet or other online technologies.

RE

Our focus this half term will be 'Exploring Living by Rules. We will learn about the rules followed in Christianity, Judaism and Islam including the Ten Commandments and the Five Pillars of Islam and how these are put into practice.



PHSE

Our focus for this half term will be 'Me and My School.'. The children will be contributing to class rules, expressing opinions in respectful ways and developing their understanding of democracy and their role in the democratic process of choosing representatives for the school council. We will explore the role of the School council and children will have the chance to apply for the School council. We will also develop our understanding of the role of the local councillors and MP and the way to raise an issue with the local councillor. This learning will be supported by a visit from a local councillor. After this we will be moving onto learning about 'Healthy Lifestyles'.



P.E

Monday -Swimming - Mrs Crawley

We will be getting changed into swimming kits before we leave school. The children can then put their clothes on top. To help getting changed easier for the children, jogging bottoms, hoodies and trainers can be worn trainers so that they are able to get dressed easily after getting out of the pool.

Wednesday - PE - Mrs Crawley

Thinking Aloud (Outdoor Adventure)

The children will be engaging in competitive (both against self and against others) and co-operative physical activities, in a range of increasingly challenging situations. The children will be given the opportunity to develop some basic map reading skills as well as problem solving and work cooperatively during paired and team challenges. Weather dependent these sessions will be held outside.

PE kits

Please can you ensure that children have **both indoor and outdoor kits** in school at all times, including **a pair of trainers**.



Reading

The children will be bringing home either a banded book or a free reader book from the library. In addition, children will be encouraged to go on to the visiting library van to choose an additional book. We cannot express enough the importance of hearing your children read regularly and asking them questions about the book that they are reading. This builds up a range of skills that are vital to your child's progress in all areas of the curriculum. The expectation is that children read at home at least three times a week and that this is recorded by an adult in their planners.

Golden Mile

Each afternoon we will be going outside to take part in the 'golden mile' by either walking or running. This is not competitive and the children will only do what they can and are comfortable with.

Homework

Weekly homework will be set via Class Dojo, however, should you prefer a paper copy please let us know. Homework will be set each week on a Monday to be returned on a Friday. Homework is also published on the school's website for those who wish to access it in this way.

Staffing

Mrs Orme will teach Monday to Thursday with Monday afternoon (swimming) and Wednesday afternoon French and PE being taught by Mrs Crawley.

Mrs Barnes will teach on Friday.

Maths will continue to be taught in separate year groups, where possible. Mrs Barnes will be teaching Year 3 and Mrs Orme will teach Year 4.

Communication

We will continue to inform you of your child's achievements through text messages.

Please remember that the door is always open and if you have any concerns or queries we will happily meet you at a convenient time to discuss these.

Mrs Barnes and Mrs Orme