

Harehills Primary School Parent's Newsletter

Summer Term - Reception

Our Themes... Summer 1: This half term our topic is "Things that live and grow around the world". The children will be learning about different places around the world with a focus on Africa. We will also be talking about plants and animals and learning how to care for animals and what they need.

Summer 2: This half term we're going to be looking at "Our Favourite Stories" and "Tricks, Wishes and Wonders". We will be talking to the children about our own favourite stories, as well as some of theirs! They will also be using their imagination to create wonderful stories about fairies, goblins, giants and much more! As we work through the half term we'll be reading lots of different stories so please make sure you encourage your child to read stories at home.

Communication & Language

This term we will be focusing on consolidating all our Phase 2 and Phase 3 phonics, with a focus on ch, sh, th, ng, ai, ee, igh, oa, oo, oi, ur, ar, er.

Please practise reading and writing at home with your child on a regular basis.

It really makes a BIG difference!

In school, we are working hard on using our phonic knowledge to write simple words and sentences; as well as practising our handwriting.

Maths

We will be focusing on our mastery of numbers 9-10 as well as introducing numbers 11-20. We will be teaching the children to add and take away simple numbers. We are also trying hard to double, halve and share numbers up to 20. We will be looking at 3D shapes and positions, as well as talking about weight, distance and money.

Please encourage your children to use their number knowledge to help you



Personal, Social and Emotional Development

In our circle times we will be talking about how to look after ourselves and others. In summer 2 we will prepare the children for September by talking about transitions and change.

We would also like to share your families special moments during our circle times. If you have anything you would like to share please email your pictures to:

earlyyears@harehills.leeds.sch.uk



Homework

We will be continuing to send out homework. **Please let your child do this themselves.** Don't worry if your child isn't writing a word correctly, it is more important for them to be trying to write it using the skills they have learnt.

Spare Clothes

Please ensure your child has a bag containing spare clothes on their peg at all times. Please also check that your child has their **name written in their uniform and spare clothes.**

Parent's Meetings

This year due to the current COVID-19 situation, your parent's meeting with your child's teacher will take place via a phone call rather than face to face. These will take place during the week beginning 24th May. A suitable date and timeslot will be arranged with you nearer to the time.

Adults Working With Us...

Ashton 1: Miss Melling, Mrs Denton & Miss Lewis
Ashton 2: Miss Clark, Ms Osborne, Mrs Arshad & Miss Kiely (Trainee Teacher)
Ashton 3: Mrs Caldwell, Mrs McGuire, Miss Lawrence, Mrs Bi
Miss Pallas - Assistant Head for Early Years
Mrs Drysdale - Family Support Mentor

Dates For Your Diary:

3rd May - School closed to children for May Day Bank Holiday
26th May - Parents meeting phone calls
31st May - Half term for 1 week
7th June - Training Day
26th July - Children finish for the Summer Holidays (27th is a training day)

Please remember to bring book bags and books everyday.