



Welcome to Hawking's class's newsletter for Autumn 2.

As you can see, we have a lot of fantastic learning ahead of us this half term. The first week back we will have parents' evenings on Tuesday and Thursday. We will also have an exciting trip over the road to Sheards Packaging, where the pupils will find out what happens inside their factory.

Maths

In maths this half term, we will be focussing mostly on fractions. We will be ordering fractions, adding and subtracting fractions, looking at equivalent fractions, improper fractions, mixed numbers, converting fractions, multiplying and dividing fractions and finding fractions of amounts. Wow! What a lot of fractions! We will also be looking at converting measurements.

DT:

This term, we are having a dedicated day for DT. We believe that giving a whole day for this subject will mean the children will have time to plan, create and improve their designs. This term, the children will become cooking connoisseurs by taking part in their very own 'Come Dine with Me.' competition.

Science:

Be prepared for your child to become classification of living things experts. This half term, we will be learning about the five kingdoms of organisms, plant and animal cells, the science of taxonomy, the classification of vertebrates into five groups and the grouping and classification of vertebrates.

Geography/History:

As historians we will move forward from WW1 and will be looking at the movement for equal rights for voting—The Suffragettes. We will study suffragette campaigning, opposition to women getting equal rights and Parliament granting suffrage.

As geologists, the children look at British geographical issues such as pollution, climate change, waste management and the damage that litter causes.

English:

This half term our writing is based around 'Goodnight Mr Tom' by Michelle Magorian. We will be writing stories, diaries and newspaper reports. Our SPaG will include subordinate clauses, synonyms, antonyms, colons, semi-colons and dashes. In addition to this, we will have daily comprehension, spelling, handwriting and reading fluency lessons.

Computing:

The history of computing! This half term we will delving into the development of computers throughout the years and taking a look at computers that changed the world. The children will also be finding out the direction in which the computing world is going by thinking about future computers.

PE:

Our PE lessons this half term will be taught by an external PE coach from Park Lane High School. Our PE day will change from a Monday to a Friday. Swimming lessons will continue on a Wednesday.

PSHE & RE:

In PSHE we are focussing on health and well-being, with an emphasis on taking responsibility for our own health. RE will focus on Judaism and how Jews remember kings and prophets.

Music:

Pop Art: Theme and Variations! Mrs Lynch will be teaching the class music through pop art and Benjamin Britten's Young Person's Guide To The Orchestra.

Class messages: We have had a super start in our first half term. Let's continue the momentum into the second half of the Autumn term.

Important dates to remember:

1. 1st - 14th November - Poppy Appeal
2. 1st / 3rd November - Parents Evening
3. 4th November - Non Uniform Day - bring chocolate into school
4. 10th November - Hawking class visit to Sheard Packaging