



Welcome to Hawking's class newsletter for Summer 1. I hope you have all had a lovely Easter and a well deserved break. Last half term, we saw fantastic dedication to studies and brilliant academic accomplishments—particularly in core subjects (Maths, English and Reading)

This half term, the children will complete their upcoming SATs exams beginning Tuesday May 9th. The children are all welcome to join us in a SATs café in the morning from 8:30am, where the children will have the chance to chat with their friends, ask questions, revise and have something to eat and drink.

Maths:

In maths, we will focus on reasoning skills involving: statistics, geometry, money, algebra, ratio and capacity. We will pay particular attention to multi-step questions and how to break a question down into its small steps. The children will continue to complete a weekly arithmetic test in order to ensure they are prepared for their upcoming exams.

DT:

This term, the children will recreate their wonderful experience at Robinwood by designing and making their own model adventure centre. The children will build on their DT knowledge of fusing objects together and will be adventurous by being introduced to saws and glue guns.

Science:

The children will discover how plants (flowering and non-flowering) and animals (not humans) reproduce. The children will learn how cells and genes mutate and can be passed on to their offspring. The children will focus on the growth stages in life and will evidence their learning through spectacular double-page spreads.

History:

As historians we will discover how The Cold War began and how it impacted life here and overseas. We will delve into understanding the Cuban missile crisis as well as the Space Race and the Proxy War. The children will learn how two opposing ideologies can lead to war and conflict, which can affect many nations. The children will learn how the US and the Soviet Union became the most powerful and technologically advanced.

English:

This half term we will be continuing to focus on gathering different writing pieces for our end of year assessments. Over the half term, the children will create an atmospheric narrative based on 'The Arrival' by Shaun Tan. The children will also create a balanced argument in relation to, 'Should children have online restrictions?' The children will fine tune their editing skills this half term, ready for their work to be submitted by the 31st May.

Computing:

Inventions for success- here we come! The children will become amazing electrical designers. In order to be successful the children will use computer aided design to design and advertise a product through their very own website and advertising video linked to a brief.

PE:

Our PE lessons, this half term we will focus on our fitness lessons where Mr Smith will take the children through their paces. Swimming lessons will continue on a Wednesday, where they will develop different swimming styles. The children will also learn how to dive with flippers!

PSHE:

In PSHE the children will be learning focusing on economic wellness. The children will explore what the role of a bank is, how to get money (jobs) and how people can risk losing their money through gambling.

Music:

In music, the children will focus on dynamics, pitch and textures of orchestral pieces. The children will delve into what it takes to be a conductor, where all children will have the opportunity to show off their musical leadership by conducting the class.

Class messages: This half term, our classes proverb comes from a famous quote by Audrey Hepburn. The quote is as follows: "Nothing is impossible. The word itself says I'm possible!"

Important dates to remember:

1. 17-21st April—Diversity Week
2. Friday 21st April—Eid
3. 8th May—King's Coronation Bank Holiday
4. 9th—12th May—SATs
5. 12th May—International Nurses Day