



# Heathland School Curriculum Newsletter

## Year 2

## Term : Spring

### English :

This term we will be continuing to practise using our Fred Talk to read and blend a variety of words in our daily stories and learning. We are developing our comprehension skills by answering questions about what we have just read and looking back for the answer. We are building our creative skills by taking original stories such as 'The Lighthouse Keepers Lunch' and 'Misery Moo' and changing a part of the story to create a new one. The children are also learning how to write a report to share their findings about what materials would be best to build a house.

### Maths :

This term in maths the Year 2 children are continuing to build on their number and place value knowledge and apply those skills while subtracting 2 digit numbers. They will be learning to apply their subtraction knowledge to reasoning problems where they need to explain why their answer is correct. The children will be learning about money and the value of coins and notes. They will apply their knowledge of addition and subtraction to money when thinking about buying objects and receiving change.

Next term children will be learning about multiplication focusing on the 2,3,5 and 10 times tables. They will also begin to think about division and sharing objects between groups of 2,5 and 10.

### Topics

Spring 1 : **What makes a structure strong?**

Spring 2 : **Where are we in the world?**

### Topic :

In Spring 1, children are learning about the properties of different materials. They are learning what materials are best suited for an object and can describe their choice using a range of vocabulary. They will also have a chance to test materials against different forces, water and magnets.

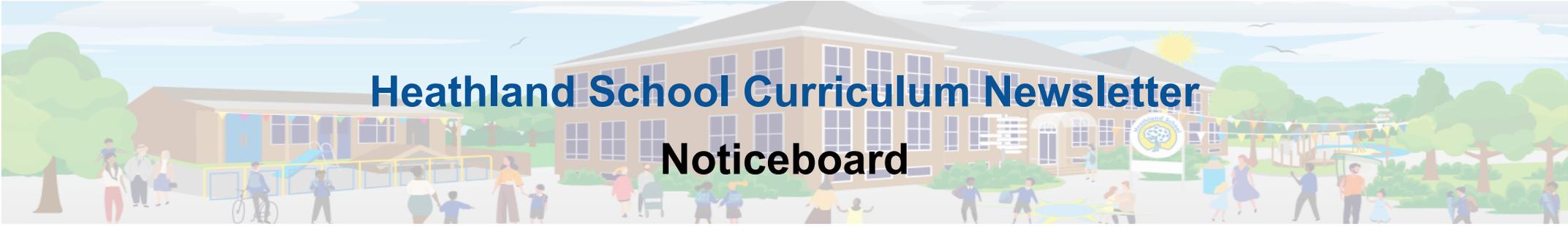
In Spring 2, children will be learning how to use an atlas to find and label specific locations such as the continents and oceans of the world. They will learn about what continent, country and city they live in and different features of their local environment, before comparing it to a Non-European country.

### PE, PSHE and MindUp :

This term in PE, the children are practising their gymnastic skills during indoor PE. They are working on a variety of rolls, tucks and cartwheels. They are also learning to balance while travelling in different ways. In outdoor PE, children are focusing on striking games and learning how to hit balls with a bat and try to hit a target.

In PSHE, Year 2 children are discussing goals and dreams and how to achieve them.

In MindUp, children are learning about different ways to show mindfulness such as while they are looking, seeing, smelling and tasting.



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## Noticeboard

### Reminders

#### **Water Bottles:**

Please ensure your child comes to school every day with a named, re-usable water bottle to keep them healthy and hydrated.

#### **Named Uniform:**

Please ensure that **ALL** your child's clothing is labelled with their name.

#### **PE days:**

Please remember to send your child into school in suitable, warm PE kit on their PE days and wearing no jewellery :

Monday—Indoor PE

Thursday—Outdoor PE

#### **Home Learning:**

Home learning will be given on a Friday and needs to be returned on Wednesday. Please return the home learning in the plastic wallet along with their reading books or ditty sheets in the same condition it was given to you.

### Key Dates this Term

**Wednesday 2nd February** - Year 2 Drama Workshop

**Monday 7th February—Friday 11th February**—Children's Mental Health Week

**Tuesday 8th February**—Safer Internet Day

**Friday 11th February - 3.00pm finish**—Students' Last Day Before Half Term

**Monday 14th February - Friday 18th February** — Half Term

**Monday 21st February** — Students Return to School

**Tuesday 22nd February** - Rights Respecting School Accreditation

**Thursday 3rd March**—World Book Day

**Wednesday 23rd and Thursday 24th February**—Parents Evenings

**Tuesday 22nd February** - Rights Respecting School Accreditation

**Thursday 24th February** - Year 2 SATS Parents Meeting on Teams

**Wednesday 23rd & Thursday 24th March** - Parents Evening

**Friday 1st April- 2.00pm finish**—Students' Last Day of Spring Term