



Heathland School Curriculum Newsletter

Year 2

Term : Summer

English :

This term we will be consolidating our Set 2 and Set 3 sounds and reading words with these sounds. As children become more fluent with reading they will learn to retrieve information from the text and make inferences on the basis of what is being said and done. Children will be learning to write recounts, both real and fictional, including a diary about the event of the Great Fire of London. They will also learn to write to persuade by writing a letter to our author of the year Jeanne Willis to suggest ideas for a new children's book for her to write. We are also continuing to focus on securing our punctuation (commas, apostrophes and question marks) and developing our use of adventurous language when writing.

Maths :

In Maths, your child will continue to develop their awareness of number and place value and their mental reasoning strategies by following our calculation policy. They will learn to divide by sharing equally by calculating the answer using concrete objects, pictorial representations and relating the division facts to multiplication. They will also learn about fractions. They will learn to recognise, find and name halves, quarters and thirds using objects, shapes and numbers. They will also make the connection between halves and quarters recognising 2 quarters is equal to 1 half. They will also learn how to compare, describe and solve practical problems for mass and weight, using some standard and non-standard units to measure weight. Children will also learn to read, gather and compare data in a variety of different graphs including tally charts, pictograms and bar graphs. They will learn how to use the data in the charts to answer questions.

Topics

Summer 1 :

How has London changed since 1666?

Summer 2 :

What makes an elite athlete?

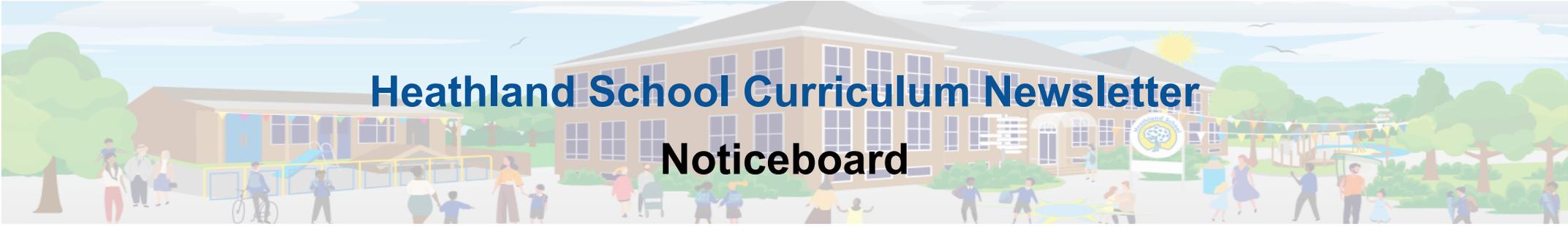
Topic :

In Summer 1, children are learning all about the Great Fire of London. They will learn about how it happened and use a timeline to sequence the events of the fire describing what happened on each day of the fire. They will use their mapping skills to explain and draw a key to identify how fast the fire spread and identify important landmarks and buildings that were destroyed. The children will also have a chance to make buns exploring their baking skills.

In Summer 2, children are learning about what it means to be an elite athlete and how that has changed from the ancient Olympics in Greece to how the Olympics are today. They will become historians looking at the past and creating a timeline looking at the similarities and differences through time and when events and traditions changed from the past to present.

PE, PSHE and MindUp:

In indoor PE, children are learning to develop their yoga skills, learning how to mindfully position and balance their bodies in a variety of yoga poses. They will also practise their breathing control and focusing on each breath. In outdoor PE children, will be developing their skills of agility, speed and hand-eye coordination in basketball through dribbling, passing, shooting and blocking. They will continue to develop team building, problem solving and sportsmanship while playing friendly matches with their peers. In PSHE children will be learning about how their bodies change as they grow and how to develop and sustain positive relationships with their friends, family and other adults that help them. During Mind-Up, children will learn about how to be mindful and aware through their senses such as smell, taste, hearing and sight through a range of group activities done with their peers and adults in the classroom.



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Noticeboard

Reminders

Water Bottles:

Please ensure your child comes to school every day with a named, re-usable water bottle with them every day 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:

Monday—Indoor PE

Thursday—Outdoor PE

Home Learning:

Home learning will be given out on Friday and needs to be returned by Wednesday latest. Please return the home learning in the plastic wallet along with their reading books or ditty sheets in good condition.

Key Dates this Term

Friday 29th April— Fire Engine Visit

Year 2 SATS— During the month of May

Monday 2nd May— May Bank Holiday

Tuesday 3rd May—Parents Phonics Workshops

Wednesday 25th May— Picnic at Alexander Park

Thursday 26th May—Jubilee Celebrations

Friday 27th May - Jubilee Bank Holiday

Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June - Half Term

Wednesday 6th July - Transfer Morning

13th and 14th July - Parents Evening

Wednesday 29th July - End of Term