



# Heathland School Curriculum Newsletter

Year 1

Term : Spring

## English :

This term we will be consolidating our Set 2 and Set 3 sounds and learning to blend and read words with these sounds in. We will be applying our reading skills by reading simple sentences and answering questions about what we have read. We are reading stories from around the world, such as Anansi and The Moss Covered Rock from Ghana and writing our own versions using characters we have designed. We will be learning to write fictional recounts in the form of diary entries, focussing on using the first tense, personal pronouns and chronological order.

## Maths :

In maths, we will be learning about a range of different types of measurement. We will be recognising a range of coins and notes and they will apply their learning about addition and subtraction to understanding their value by using different coins to make totals. We will be learning how to use non-standard units and standard units to measure length and capacity and explore this by learning to compare, describe and solve practical problems for length, height and capacity.

This term we will be learning to solve practical problems using concrete objects involving grouping and sharing and learning to recall multiplication facts for the 2, 5 and 10 timetables. We will be learning how to recall doubling and halving facts for numbers up to 10 and using these facts to help us solve other significant double problems, such as  $5+5=10$  so  $50+50=100$ .

## Topics

Spring 1 :

**Faces, Spaces and places:  
Where does art come from?**

Spring 2 :

**What does it mean to be Royal?**

## Topic :

In Spring 1 Children are learning all about different artists from around the world and locating where artists come from on a map. The children are looking at different ways to make and modify different colours and using a range of brush strokes and sketching techniques to create artwork. They will develop their skills of art by learning about the elements of tone, shape, colour and line.

In Spring 2 children are learning all about the Royal family. They will be learning about the past and identifying some facts about people and events before living memory. They will also be learning how to use a timeline to order events in history. Children will learn about the United Kingdom and will learn to name and identify the four countries that make up the UK, comparing them by their characteristics.

## PE, PSHE and MindUp:

In indoor PE., children are learning to develop their skills in gymnastics by creating a sequence involving stepping, turning and controlled elegant movements using both symmetrical and asymmetrical positions. In dance they will be using their bodies to create theme related shapes, movements and actions to performs simple sequences. In outdoor PE, children will be developing their skills of net, wall and ball games by learning to send a ball with accuracy and power, learning the ready position and how to strike a ball and keep a rally going with their partner. In PSHE ,children will be learning about dreams and goals and how to identify and overcome obstacles which make achieving goals difficult. In Mind-Up children will learn about how they can use Mindful techniques to calm their brain and relax their mind.



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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:**

Spring 1: Monday Indoor : All Year 1 Classes

Thursday outdoor: All Year 1 classes

Spring 2: Monday outdoor: Cherry and Mango

Friday: Acer

Thursday indoor: All Year 1 classes

#### **Home Learning:**

Home learning will be given in on Wednesday and needs to be returned on Monday. Please return the home learning in the plastic wallet along with their reading books or ditty sheets every Monday.

### Key Dates this Term

Students' Last Day Before Half Term:  
Friday 10th February - 3.00pm finish

Half Term:  
Monday 13th February - Friday 17th February

Students Return to School: Monday 20th February

**w/c 20th March: STEAM Week**

Parents Evenings:  
Wednesday 29th and Thursday 30th March

Year 1 Royal Day:  
Friday 31st March

Students' Last Day of Spring Term:  
Friday 31st March- 2.00pm finish