

Autumn Term Learning Experience



Horrible History

Year 2 Owls and Kestrels

Teachers:

Mrs Plesca, Miss Farquhar, Miss Priestley

Teaching Assistants:

Mrs Johnson and Mrs Gibson

Horrible History

English	This term we will be focusing on spelling and grammar techniques using film, story books and drama as a stimulus. We will be learning techniques to help us create ideas in our writing.
Maths	Our focus in maths this term will be around knowing and understanding number. We will learn about place value and we will continue our learning by securing our understanding of addition and subtraction.
Science	We will be investigating different properties of materials including identifying man made and natural materials.
History & Geography	In history, we will be looking at events beyond our living memory, our focus will be on the Great Fire of London, the plague and the Gun Powder Plot.
Design Technology/ Art	We will be developing a wide range of art and design techniques using colour, pattern, texture, line, shape and space. We will have artist study as we investigate the work of Lowry.
Religious Education	We will asking our questions about God and how Christians ideas about the concept of God compares with our own.
Computing	iProgram: We will learning to create simple animations using programming skills.
Physical Education	Using our RealPE scheme: Personal Focus – Floor Movement Patterns and one leg standing static balance Social Focus – Dynamic balance to agility and seated static balance

Social, Moral, Spiritual and Cultural Opportunities

We will be focusing on making friendships, working together and understanding the expectations of Hayfield Cross to help us to grow into resilient independent learners.

We will also be starting to learn some basic Spanish every week and celebrate the Diwali festival.

British Values & Global Citizens

We will be learning about what communities are and how people develop a sense of belonging as well as discussing fairness and what it means to be right or wrong.

Supporting your child at home

- ❖ At Hayfield Cross, we believe reading to be an extremely important part of every child's development. Our expectation is that children **read every day** to an adult at home and that this is recorded within their home reading records. Additional guidance and advice will be provided.
- ❖ Children receive daily phonics sessions and, every Monday, new spellings will be given for them to practise at home. These spellings will usually correspond to the phonemes (sounds) that they have been learning within phonics lessons. Spelling tests are then given every Friday morning.
- ❖ Within maths, a **solid understanding of number is essential** for children to have in order to build upon as they move throughout the school. It would be beneficial to look out for opportunities to use mathematical vocabulary or counting during everyday activities. For example; how long does it take you to get from one place to another? Can you help to weigh and measure items to help your family cook?

Any additional information or photographs of particularly exciting learning opportunities will be shared via the school website.

This Season's School Learning Theme is

Time Travellers



PE

Day: **Tuesday and Thursday**

PE is an important part of every child's physical development and it is essential that they can participate in every lesson. Please can you ensure that your child has a full **named PE kit**. This consists of a navy blue polo shirt, black shorts and plimsolls or trainers for indoor and outdoor use. School hoodies and plain navy or black tracksuit trousers are optional for outdoor PE. It is also **not advisable** for children to have their ears pierced during term time. Children will need to be able to remove any jewellery themselves before any PE sessions or have parents remove them before they come to school on PE days.

Working in Partnership

We believe is crucial to work in close partnership with parents to provide the best education for each and every child. Therefore, if you would like to talk to the class teacher do not hesitate to arrange a meeting after school by asking them or calling the office.

School Times

Please remember that school begins at **8:45** prompt when all children must be on the playground in their line, ready to start learning. The playground gates are open from 8:35 where you will be met by a member of staff.