



HERNE BAY INFANT SCHOOL

Year 2 Curriculum Newsletter

Term 6

June 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back. We hope that you had a restful holiday. Can you believe that we are in Term 6 already and what a busy time we have ahead of us!

All the staff in Year 2 are very proud of the attitude and resilience of all the children with their SAT's. They all took it in their stride and were a real credit to you.

Please look at the calendar dates for this terms time and dates.

Transition – The children will be thinking about their transition into the juniors. They will visit the Junior school at various times this term for a taster and will meet with their new teacher. Please see the dates below for these.

Year 2 Show –

Please see dates below for times and crèche. Each class will be allocated 2 tickets per child and each show will be for 80 seats. This worked well last year and meant that the hall was not over crowded. We will be thinking about who wants acting parts, dancing parts and who just wants to be part of the choir. All the children will be involved doing something and it will be an exciting time preparing and performing it.

Connector- (Topic – how we connect different topics) Our Connector for this term is **'Adventures!'**

The main theme to this connector is pirates. For their fantastic starter the children have a 'dress up as a pirate day' on Friday 9th June. The costume/outfit that you provide could also be used for the year 2 show so please hang onto it. The finisher will be the show.

English/History –

The children will be learning about famous pirates and what life was like being a pirate. They will be writing character descriptions and wanted posters. The children will be using a variety of punctuation and descriptive language in their writing and how to use capital letters for effect and apostrophes for possession.

Maths- This term the children will be learning how to apply all the skills they have learnt over the year in a variety of different contexts. We will be continuing to problem solve and consolidate our counting in 2's, 3's, 4's, 5's and 10's. The children will revisit telling the time to quarter past, quarter to and in 5 minute intervals.

Problem Solving Day- We are really looking forward to the problem solving day that will involve all of the children from Year R to Year 2. This day will consist of a variety of different challenges for the children to solve using a range of resources inside and outside of the classroom. These problems are designed to encourage the children to work together, use the maths they already know and think of their own solutions and methods to find the answers. We would like to invite parents/carers to share the children's learning on Monday 19th June between 8:40- 9:00am. We look forward to seeing you in the classrooms then!

Geography – Linked to the connector of adventures we will be learning about South Africa and its place in the world. We will be learning about the human and physical features, creating maps and learning about their way of life.

P.E. - We have 2 sessions of P.E. each week; 1 will be led by 'Team Theme' and the other by Class Teachers. Please take out any earrings at home on the mornings of your child's P.E. day. Unfortunately, we cannot help children to take earrings out and they are not able to take part in P.E. with them in. It is a great idea to keep your child's P.E. kit in school at all times.

Dates for your Diaries

Term 6 Starts:

Tuesday 6th June

Pirate dress up day:

Friday 9th June

Year 2 Problem Solving Parents Share:

(Parents invited)

Monday 19th June 8.40-9.00

Arts Week:

19th - 23rd June

Transition Dates:

Monday 19th June: Visit to HBJS 2pm stay for assembly

Monday 26th June: Year 3 teachers to visit Year 2 classes

Tuesday 27th June: Year 2 to visit HBJS to meet new teachers

Thursday 6th July: Year 2 to go to HBJS 11.15 – 3.00

Friday 14th July: Year 2 to HBJS 9.15-12.00

Infant Sing-a-long

Thursday 22nd June

Sports Week:

26th – 29th June

Year 2 Sports Day:

(Parents invited)

Tuesday 27th June 9.15-11.15

Year 2 Parents Evening at Herne Bay Junior School 7pm

Year 2 Show:

Monday 17th July 2pm

Tuesday 18th July 9.45 with crèche

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Wednesday 19th July 9.45

Reports sent out:

Wednesday 19th July

Term 6 Ends:

Church service: 9.15

Friday 21st July 1:15pm

As the weather is getting warmer please could you make sure that your child has a water bottle in school.

P.E. days:

Wednesday and Friday- Butterfly Class

Thursday and Friday – Ladybird Class

Monday and Wednesday – Dragonfly Class

Monday and Tuesday - Bee Class

How can you support learning at home?

Speaking and Listening –Share your memories of Year 2 and Herne Bay Infant School. What have you enjoyed most about your time here year? Are you worried about anything in Year 3? What would you like to know? Share your questions with your teachers.

Reading

Listening to your child read every day. Use the bookmarks that have been sent home to ask questions to your child. Encourage your child to read for a set time to try and build their building stamina.

Spelling

Teachers have noticed a real improvement with the children's spellings. Please keep up the support as this is having a positive impact on their writing.

Writing

Write some instructions using commands and time connectives such as First, Next, After that, Then, Finally, Last but not least.

Maths

Teach your child how to tell the time, using o'clock, half past, quarter past, quarter to and in 5 minute intervals, e.g. 20 past 4

Please share/look at the Coastal Tube <http://coastaltube.co.uk/>

Username – parents Password - Maths2016!

ICT

<http://tpet.co.uk/mrwolf/playfree.html> This is a good website for telling the time.

Thank you for all your support this year

Mrs Dalton, Mrs Luton, Mrs Vernon, Miss O'Connor and Mr Bourton