

Haytor View Community Primary School & Nursery

Year 3/4 Key Stage 2 Newsletter – Spring 2024



Learning together - enjoying success - aiming high - celebrating difference – enriching community

Introduction

Welcome to our regular termly newsletter, specifically developed for Years 3 and 4, and designed to bring you up to date with all that's going on this half term and next. Whether it's curriculum, home learning or after school activities that you're keen to know more about, it's all found here!

Of course if there are other questions that you have, or suggestions you'd like to make just get in touch with me or any adult in the team – we'd all be happy to help.

Michaela Cousins - Year 3/4 Phase Leader

Curriculum

During the spring term, our learning will focus on....

	Year 3	Year 4
Writing	Poetry	Instruction Writing
Maths	Composition and Calculation: 3 digit numbers	Multiplication up to 12 x 12
Science	Forces and Magnets	States of Matter
PE	Handball	
History	Britain and its Monarchy	Anglo Saxons
Geography	The Journey of Water	Volcanoes and Earthquakes
Music	WCET Recorders	WCET Ukuleles
Computing	Data and Information	Managing Online Information
Art	Tudor Rose Clay	Batik
DT	Shell Structures	Moving Posters
RE	Christianity – Good Friday	Salvation and the Holy Story
Languages	French - Developing understanding of Vocabulary and Culture	
PSHE	Healthy Me	

Home learning

Our priority is for your child to read at home with you. It is important that you are reading five times a week to support your child with their reading development and fluency. This can be the book selected by your child's class teacher or a reading for pleasure book they enjoy reading with you.

Additional home learning will be given out every Thursday and be due in the following Wednesday. It is important that your child is given the opportunity to carry out their home learning activities at some point during the week, to enhance the learning that takes place in school. If you are finding it difficult to provide that time to your child, perhaps they would benefit from home learning club. If you feel that this would support you, please get in contact with your child's learning leader and we will make a place available for them. It's a great opportunity for your child to complete some of their home learning and to ask about anything they may not understand.

Home learning club is on Thursdays, 3:15pm until 4:15pm.

After School Activities this term

Computing Club with Mrs Brown – Mondays 3:15pm to 4:15pm

Choir with Miss Manley – Mondays 3:15pm to 4:15pm

Premier Sports Club – Wednesdays 3:15pm to 4:30pm

Home Learning Club with Mrs Cousins and Mrs Brown - Thursday 3:15pm to 4:15pm

What have we been up to already?

Year 3

Michael from Paddleboat Theatre has been working with Year 3 as part of a 'Talking Turns' project. The project focusses on how oracy and drama can support children's writing. The children have been exploring poetry. They have been engaging in group work, using tableaus and freeze frames to create a stimulus for their own group poems.



This term, Kip Pratt (our visiting peripatetic teacher) has been working with year 3 in music, delivering whole class instrumental tuition on the recorders. The children have engaged well with the lessons. The children were able to perform their musical talents at the Torbay Music Festival and did incredibly well!



Year 4

The children have been learning about volcanoes and spent time creating amazing posters and models. The knowledge of the children has been fantastic. The children had an amazing time experimenting with erupting volcanoes!



As part of our learning for design technology, the class have explored using linkages and levers. The class made snapping crocodiles and waving arms. The children had to persevere to create their moving arms and mouth for a chosen animal.

