

Haytor View Community Primary School & Nursery

Year 3/4 Key Stage 2 Newsletter – Spring 2023



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!

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Curriculum

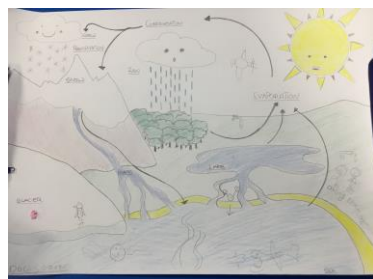
Last term saw us starting our shared reading sessions with parents. This has been really successful and enjoyable. The children have been able to spend quality time with parents and other family members sharing their reading books. Mrs Brown and I have valued the time after these sessions to catch up with parents and carers about the children's reading and their home learning. We are excited to be continuing these and welcoming you back into our phase. **These sessions happen every Tuesday, 2:45pm until 3:10pm. Please come along!**

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

	Year 3	Year 4
Writing	Letter and Narrative Writing	Letter writing
Maths	Numbers to 1000	Addition and subtraction with 4 digits
Science	States of Matter and Light	How is sound made?
PE	Handball and Gymnastics	Handball and Gymnastics
History	Britain and its Monarchy	How did the Romans shape life in Britain?
Geography	Water Cycle	Volcanoes and Earthquakes
Music	Body Percussion and Djembe Drum	Ukulele
Computing	Presenting and researching with word processing.	Creating and editing virtual instruments and creating and editing blogs.
Art	Tudor Clay Rose	Celtic Batik
DT	Shell Structures	Creation using levers and linkages
RE	People of God and Muslim Festivals	Hindus in Britain and Salvation
Languages	Language skills through song and games and fun activities.	Language skills through song and games and fun activities, reading and writing.
PSHE	Dreams and Goals and Healthy Me	Dreams and Goals and Healthy Me.

Home learning

Thank you for all the support you are giving your children with their home learning. We have had some great Water Cycle and Volcano projects handed in. They are fantastic!



Home learning club is every **Thursday 3:30pm-4:15pm**. 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.

After School Activities this term

Computing Club – Mondays 3:15pm to 4:15pm

Choir – Mondays 3:15pm to 4:15pm

Premier Sport Handball and Dance – Wednesdays 3:15pm to 4:30pm

Home Learning Club - Thursday 3:15pm to 4:15pm

What have we been up to already?

Year 3



Newton Abbot Community Interest Company are leading a new project in Buckland. The project is called Tunnels of Love and is linking local schools with artists to transform the Penn Inn subway into spaces where people want to be and interact with games, stories & imagery about who

they are. Last term, Year 3 had an amazing time creating and painting their own clay artwork and are looking forward to seeing these on display!



Last term, the children travelled back in time to prehistoric Britain and learned about the Stone Age and the Iron Age. They enjoyed finding out more from the historians on their exciting trip to Torquay Museum and enjoyed examining artefacts, making clay pots and drawing their own cave art.



During this term, the children will be learning about states of matter. The children have already started exploring solids, liquids and gases around us and now they will be learning about this further and linking this into their geography learning of the water cycle. They will be creating their own water cycle models and learning about the changing states of water as it travels.

Year 4



Last term the children enjoyed exploring their local surroundings using maps and compasses. The class spent time navigating their way around the Buckland Estate using maps and learning about the history of Newton Abbot.

Year 4 joined the foundation department to celebrate national Nursery Rhyme week. The children performed The Grand Old Duke of York. The class had great fun practicing and performing the rhyme.



This term the children will be creating moving pictures in DT. There is great excitement for learning all about volcanoes and earthquakes. The children are going to be learning about sound and how it travels, this will see the children linking this knowledge into their computing lessons for creating music.