



# Hummingbird Class Newsletter

20.10.2023

Our last class newsletter for our first half term in Year 2! It has been such a busy time, the weeks have just flown by. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all our parents and carers for their support whilst settling the children in to their new classes and routines. The hard work is paying off and the children definitely deserve their break.

The children finish for their half term break on **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> October** at normal time.

We return to school on **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November**.

## English

The children have built up to writing their own fact file about wolves. They have been using the features of non-fiction writing including headings and subheadings and have recalled lots of key facts.

## Maths

In Maths, we are working hard on our subtraction of 2-digit numbers. The children are learning how to use a range of methods such as part whole, column subtraction and counting backwards to calculate their answers.

## Science

In Science, we are looking at Light. The children have looked at how some materials are more reflective than others and are looking at how we form shadows.

## History

Our topic this half term is Travel and Transport. We have looked at the development of the train over time, creating a timeline to show this.

## PSHE

In PSHE, the children are looking at their topic Being Me in My World. We have been building our class charter deciding what we need to work together on to ensure our learning environment is respectful, responsible and safe.

## DT

For our DT, we are going to be sewing this half term, making our own puppets. The children have been using the running stitch to sew their own puppets. We have designed our puppets individually and evaluated them to decide what we would change if we were to make them again.

## RE

In RE, the children are thinking about how we use our hands for a range of different things. This week we have been discussing using our hands for prayer.

## Music

In Music, our unit this half term is I want to play in a band. The children are learning to appraise a range of different styles of music.

## PE

We have begun our boot camp unit this half term. The children are working hard on completing activities in a circuit within a time frame and trying to improve their scores week by week.

## News

### Daily Reading at home

Please spend 10 minutes reading with your child, and record this in their reading records, it helps them to become confident and fluent readers who can move through the Read, Write Inc scheme and then become Free Readers who can choose their own reading books. Please speak to staff in class if you require any further support with your child's reading.

### Stars of the Week

Congratulations to Caleb and for being our stars of the week for the last 2 weeks!

### Parents Evening

Parents evening will be held on **Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October** from 3.10 – 6pm. Phone call appointments are also available through that week. Please see your class teacher if you have not received an appointment time.

To see all our latest learning and for school updates, please follow **@\_Hummingbird2** on Twitter.

**Thank you for your continued support**  
**Miss Simms**

