

Keir Hardie Primary School

Year 6 Spring Newsletter

Firstly, can we warmly welcome you all back to the start of the term at Keir Hardie. We hope that you all had a fantastic Christmas, and had a chance to relax and re-charge the batteries before coming back for another hard-working term. It is going to be a very exciting term in Year 6; your child will be learning lots of new things.

Topics

This term Year 6 will be studying:

Literacy – Reading Skills; Spelling, Handwriting and Grammar

Maths – Arithmetic and Reasoning about Numbers and Shapes

Science – Forces, Living Things and their Habitats

Computing – Scratch (software to use algorithms) Online Safety

D&T – Create the 1948 Olympic Stadium- Homework project

Art – Mixed media representation of Plants- Collage

RE – Similarities and differences between Religions and Easter

PSHE – Health and well being & Strength, Pride and Pressure

Music – ECAM

PE – Handball, Badminton and Competitive Games

Spanish – People: Personality, Our World & Habitats, Semana Santa(Easter cards)

Reading

Your child will continue to be given a new reading book every week, please make sure your child brings in their reading book every day. It is essential that your child reads every day for at least 20 minutes.

Reading doesn't just have to be their school reading book. Encourage your child to read newspaper articles, comics, library books, recipes or even the back of cereal boxes. As your child's reading skills develop so will their writing skills. Remember to visit the school library after school where we have lots of new and exciting books!

Homework

Your child will be given at least two sheets of homework every Friday: one piece of English; one piece of Maths. Be assured, the homework reflects the work that has been done in class and is explained to the children every Friday. The homework will set an appropriate level of challenge, if you wish to discuss the homework please come and see us. All homework is due in by the following **Thursday**. As well as this, half-termly projects will be set around the creative topic being studied.

Homework club will continue every Monday, where your child can come and complete their homework. We urge you to make sure your child attends

homework club as the staff supporting them in school will be able to help them with their work.

PE

PE is on Mondays

Indoor (navy blue shorts and a white t-shirt)

Please ensure your child brings their PE kit into school on this day.

SATs

The children will undergo their SATs tests in May. This will involve your children being tested on their Maths, Reading and Grammar, Spelling and Punctuation. With the introduction of new assessment procedures, it is more important than ever that the children can join up their handwriting. This is something we are working on in class. Please ensure you help your child to practice their joined-up handwriting at home.

Easter School

The Year 6 children are invited to attend Easter School this year. This will allow the children to prepare for their SATs. It is extremely important that all Year 6 children attend. More details will follow.

Educational visits and Diary Dates

Please make a note of these dates in your diary:

Thursday 5th January – Aladdin(Theatre visit)

Week beginning 9th January – ECAM starts

Thursday 12th January – Sportshall Athletics Competition

Friday 13th January – Mosaic Assembly

Week beginning 16th January – Balanced Argument Week/ Club starts

Thursday 26th January – Romeo and Juliet(Stratford Circus Arts Centre)

Monday 27th January – NSPCC Workshop

Week beginning 30th January – Debate Week

Friday 3rd March – World Book Day

Week beginning 6th March – Maths Week

Week beginning 13th March – Mock SATS Week

Friday 17th March – Red Nose Day

Week beginning 27th March – Art and D&T Week

Monday 3rd April – Monday 17th April – Spring Break

Monday 3rd April – Friday 7th April Easter School

Tuesday 18th April – Children back to school

Thank you for your continued co-operation

Mr Baako & Mr Eastman