



Keir Hardie Primary School

Year Newsletter—Spring Term 2018

Firstly, we would like to wish you all a happy new year and welcome back to Keir Hardie in 2018. We hope that you all had a restful holiday, and had a chance to relax and re-charge the batteries before coming back in the new year. Spring Term will be an exciting term for your child with new topics to learn.



Dates for Spring Term

- Parent Events:
Curriculum Event
Tuesday 6-2-2018
Parents Evening 12-3-2018
- Educational Visits:
National Portrait Gallery—TBC
- Focus Weeks:
29-1-2018 Science And Computing Week
1-3-2018 World Book Day
5-3-2018 Assessment week
12-3-2018 Maths, D&T and Fairtrade Week
21-3-2018 World Poetry Day
- Holiday Dates:
Half Term - 9-2-2018
Easter Holidays
Thursday 29-3-2018
till 13-4-2018
Back to school on
Monday 16-4-2018

Curriculum Topics

English – Children will be reciting and writing simple poems and writing simple narratives.

Maths – Children will be developing their understanding of subtraction. We will also be learning how to solve mental maths problems and will have a short mental maths test every day.

Science – Children will be focusing on materials. They will use their Science enquiry skills to carry out investigations in and out of class.

Computing – Children will be learning about e-safety, exploring how to stay safe on the internet.

RE – Children will learn about different holy books.

PSHE – Children will be developing the children's active listening skills and understanding of health.

Music – Play tuned and un-tuned musical instruments.

PE Dates

days - Wednesday

days - Thursday

Please ensure your child brings their PE kit into school on this day. Pupils are also required to wear suitable sports shoes and not wear any jewellery.



Homework

Homework is a very important part of your child's education. It is usually linked to what your child has learned that week or in preparation for something they are going to learn. Your child will need support from an adult to read and fully understand what he/she needs to do. To encourage the completion of homework in a positive way, we will give a reward at the end of each half term, to the children who have completed all homework activities.

From time to time, we will also set the children a project to complete at home linked to the Creative Curriculum or Science. This is a great opportunity for you to work on a fun and creative project with your child.

Homework is due in on Thursday, and will be given out on Friday. The homework set will aim to prepare your child for their SAT's tests. If you are unsure of how to support your child in a specific area, please arrange an appointment to see the class teacher after school.



Educational Visits and Visitors

National Portrait Gallery - To look at self-portraits
ArtsGeneration Project - To work with Year 2 to create recycled bottle sculptures



Reading—Important Information

Please encourage your child to read for 10 minutes every night.

- Before reading with your child, read his/her target (written in yellow reading record) so that you can help them to achieve their target. We also welcome your responses and comments in the same book.
- The children can also access a range of books online through Bug Club. Your child's log in details will be in their reading log.
- Please ensure that your child brings their reading book to school every day.
- It is also important to share and enjoy books with your child. Remember that books can be borrowed for free from our school library or your local library. Reading books together will help your child to acquire rich vocabulary that will support with writing exciting stories!

Uniform

Please ensure that your child's name is clearly labelled in all of their uniform. Your child should take responsibility for looking after their belongings, particularly in the playground and when changing for PE. If you find you have the wrong item of clothing returned to you, please bring it to your child's teacher and we will endeavor to return the correct items. If a coat, jumper or other item is left in the playground, it will be taken to lost property, which is accessible through the school office.

We hope this newsletter has been helpful. Please make an appointment to see any of the year teaching staff if you have any worries, questions or concerns. Please make sure your child is in school everyday and on time at 8:45am to ensure they don't miss out on valuable learning.

Thank you for your continued support.