



Keir Hardie Primary School

Year 1 Newsletter—Summer Term 2018

We hope that you all had a restful time, and had a chance to relax and re-charge the batteries before coming back after the Easter Holidays. Summer Term will be an exciting term for your child with new topics to learn, our sports day and school carnival.



Curriculum Topics

Dates for Summer Term

- Parent Events:
Curriculum event 2-5-2018 (3:15-4:15)
Reports out WB 26-6-2018
Community fair 28-6-2018
Carnival 11-7-2018
- Educational Visits:
The Mews—
Buckingham palace 27.4.18 and 1.5.18
Colchester Zoo
June 2018
- Focus Weeks:
WB 18-6-2018
Healthy Lifestyle week
WB 2-7-2018 Sports and Health Week
- Holiday Dates:
Bank Holiday Monday 7-5-2018
Half Term 28-5-2018 till 1-6-2018
Eid-ul-Fitr 15-6-2018
Summer Holidays
Thursday 19-7-2018

English – We will be using T4W to develop a narrative and information text about animals which links with science.

Maths – We have started on numbers to 40, we will be moving on to fractions, division and multiplication.

Science – We are looking at Animals including humans. We have already had a workshop on dinosaurs.

Creative Curriculum - This half term in History we will be looking at Queen Elizabeth the II and her Coronation. We will finish the term off by having a year 1 coronation assembly.

Computing – We will be making an audio book on animals using power point and audio effects.

RE – This term we are studying Islam followed by Hinduism.

PSHE – This term we will look at personal hygiene.

PE – We will continue focusing on key skills and we will introduce an element of competition which links with the house teams. Later on we will take on a dance lesson in preparation for the Carnival in July.

PE Dates

In year children will be doing PE on **Monday** and **Tuesday**

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

Navy blue shorts or tracksuit bottoms and a white t-shirt. 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. Homework for this term will focus on grammar development.

Your child will need support from an adult to read and fully understand what he/she needs to do. Homework is given to the children Friday and they are expected to hand it in the following **Thursday**. 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.

Note: School provides homework support on Monday after school from 3:15 till 4:15.

Educational Visits and Visitors



We have several educational visits planned this term. The first visit is on the 27th of April for 1V and 1st of May for 1D for the Buckingham Palace. We will also be making a visit to Colchester Zoo in June.



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 endeavour 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.

The Year 1 Team