



Keir Hardie Primary School

Term Newsletter—Spring Term 2022

Firstly, we would like to warmly welcome you all back to the start of another school term at Keir Hardie. We hope that you all had a fantastic Christmas holiday, 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!



Curriculum Topics

Dates for Spring Term

Educational Visits:

To be confirmed

Focus Weeks:

3-3-2022 World Book Day

WB. 7.3.2022 Assessment Week

WB. 21-3-2022

Work Week

• Holiday Dates:

Half Term - 14.2.2022—
25.2.2022

Easter Holiday - Monday

3.4.2022 till Monday

18.4.2022

Return to school Tuesday

19.4.2022

English – This term we will be looking at a narratives - and poetry. Children will innovate model texts and invent their own pieces. We will have a focus on improving the children's basic skills.

Maths – Children will be developing their number knowledge, through multiplication and division, measurements, money and fractions. We will also be incorporating basic skills to improve the children's calculation knowledge.

Science – We will be working scientifically, they will be studying rocks and 'light.

Geography– The children will be developing their geographical and Ffieldwork skills. They will use fieldwork to observe, measure, record and present the human and physical features in the local area. Identify the position and significance of latitude, longitude

History – We will be studying Early Britons, looking at the Stone Age, Bronze Age to the Iron Age.

Art– The children's art topic links very well with history as they will be studying and creating cave paintings.

DT– We will be creating a backdrop suitable for their stop frame animations in computing.

Computing – The children will be revisiting online safety and also will be creating stop frame animations with Lego or Plasticine

RE – We will be reflecting on the teachings of Jesus and Buddha and how they have made people think, they will also how and why Hindus celebrate Holi.

PSHE (P4C) – The children will continue to learn the keys skills needed to be a global citizen, they will be thinking about their community and the laws and rules they must follow. We will have work week were the children can develop key skills and develop our understanding of money management.

Music – Children will play games to develop their pitch, rhythm and pulse skills, they will also be practicing their singing and playing different musical instruments,

Spanish– In Spanish, the children will be learning about games, numbers & classroom objects, colours, articles and numbers

PE– In PE, the children will be developing their skills in football and gymnastics.

PE Dates

PE will happen on Wednesday and Friday.

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 requires 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. Homework is given to the children on a **Friday** and they are expected to hand it in the following **Thursday**. We also have an online maths resource called Sumdog, please find your child's Sumdog login in their yellow Reading is Fun book. It is a great resource to help your child with fluency in mental arithmetic. 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.



Educational Visits

Due to Covid-19 we will only have educational visits in the local area for the moment. This may change later in the term.



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 language, read familiar words and write 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 to ensure they don't miss out on valuable learning. Thank you for your continued support.

Year — teachers: