



KEIR HARDIE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Term Newsletter - Spring 2024

Happy New Year to you all!

We would like to welcome you back and hope you had a restful Christmas break. We trust you enjoyed spending time with your family & friends and are ready for another exciting term.

We have planned a number of exciting opportunities for the children and welcome your support in continuing to inspire and motivate our children to aim high in all that they do.

Dates for Spring Term

Educational Visits:

British museum

Science museum

Focus Days/Weeks:

01/02/23 Spanish Day

WB 5/2/24 World of work week

6/02/24 World Computing Day

09/02/24 INSET Day

12/02/24 - 16/02/24 Half Term (School closed)

7/03/24 World Book Day-Dressing Up

8-17/03/24 British Science Week

15/03/24 Red Nose Day (wear something red)

18-22/03/24 Inspire Work Week

20/03/24 Parents Evening

28/03/24 School finishes at 1pm

29/03/24 - 12/04/24

Easter Break

PE Dates

PE will take place on Tuesday and Thursday .

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

Navy blue shorts or tracksuit bottoms and their house t-shirt or house colours. Pupils are also required to wear suitable sports shoes and not wear any jewellery.

Curriculum Topics

English – English - In Spring term we will be focusing on different styles of writing. We will be writing a biography about a person of our choice. Moreover, we will also be learning to write a set of instructions.

Maths – In Maths for Spring term, We will be looking at multiplication and division, where we will use the inverse operation to check work and show our working out in a variety of ways. We will also be looking at length and perimeter, including how to convert one unit of measurement to another, Decimals and Fractions.

Science – In Science, we will be learning about States of Matter and exploring the changes in state between solids, liquids and gases. We will also be learning about Electricity works. In addition, we will be creating our own electrical circuits!

History – In History, we will learn about the Ancient Greeks. We will learn about the Greek city states and their methods of government as well as their influence on modern society.

Art– In Art, for the spring term, we will be using paintings to tell stories and focusing on Easter. Children will be learning about the fourteen stations of the cross as an example of telling a story through painting.

Computing – We will be learning about online Safety - focusing on inappropriate/age appropriate content online. We will also be taught about data science, data analysis and data interpretation.

RE – we are learning about the Bible and why it is a special book. We will explore how it is similar and different to other holy books and how it influences Christians lives. We will also look at why Easter is important to Christians?

PSHE (P4C) – In PSHE, we are looking at our community and how we can make a difference in all the communities we belong to. The children will learn about what make a community. In Spring 2, we will be looking at money and the importance of saving. This will be related to work week.

Music – We will be learning about and singing Soul music and how to play the Ukulele.

Spanish – We will be focusing on months, numbers 16-31 and personal descriptions.

PE - We will be developing our gymnastics skills using a range of specific equipment. We will be learning to play netball, thinking tactically whilst doing so. We will also be taking on problem solving challenges and developing our communication, leadership and teamwork skills in order to do so.

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 research in preparation for new learning. Homework will be 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 and Times Tables Rockstars, please find your child's login in their yellow Reading is Fun book. It is a great resource to help your child with fluency in mental arithmetic.

Please continue to encourage your child to read for at least 20 mins each day.

From time to time, we will also set the children a project to complete at home linked to topics they are learning. This is a great opportunity for you to work on a fun and creative project with your child and showcase your skills.

Pupil Support

The school continues to work hard to narrow learning gaps, we have a number of ways to support some of our pupils, before and after school and during the school day. Your child may be asked to come into school at 8:15 to work on particular areas they find challenging in order to narrow these gaps. The morning sessions are from **Monday to Thursday**. Or your child may be invited to attend Booster sessions after school.

Communication

Please continue to communicate with us on Dojo, if you have any questions and would like some clarity on year group information. We look forward to another successful term.