

The Heights Primary School Key Stage One Parent Planner: Spring Week 2

Dear Parents/Carers

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This week we will be:

English	This week in English we are kicking off our chocolate topic with a bang by having the ministry of chocolate come to our school and give us a chocolate workshop. We will be using this as a stimulus for writing a set of instructions in the week.
Mathematics	In maths this week we are starting to teach time. We will be grouping the children based on their individual need and teaching them to read and draw times up to the nearest 5 minutes.
Topic	In our topic lessons this week we will be starting our theme of chocolate. We will be learning about the history of chocolate during our workshop and later in the week we will be making our own labels for our chocolate product. This term year 2 will also be taking part in sign2sing on Monday 6° February (letter to follow) which is a charity event which raises money for vulnerable deaf children and adults. In preparation for this event we will be learning some simple sign language and songs.
Spelling	We are starting a new spelling scheme in year 2 where we teach spelling strategies in class daily, rather than phonics. As a result we have changed the spelling lists that we are sending home every week. The children will still receive spellings on the Monday to test the following week however we are only sending five home with the suggestion that they write them in sentences.

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The children in Year 2 have now started the Cracking Times Tables scheme. Every Monday they will have three minutes to answer times table questions. Each child should know exactly which tables they need to practise at home during the week. Help at home with this will enable them to be successful.

Please support your child by encouraging them to read at home every night. It is extremely important to ask them lots of questions and ensure they understand the meanings of unfamiliar words. Please record this in their record books that are collected in every day. If you have any questions about how to help your child with their learning please see your child's teacher.

Best wishes,

Miss Kennedy and Mrs Mullaney