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The Heights Primary School Year 2 Parent Planner: Autumn 2 Week 4

Dear Parents/Carers,

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This term our theme is **Dragons and Castles**.

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| English     | This week we are starting a new text called The Dragon                                                                              |
|             | Painter, retold by Rosie Dickins. This is a traditional                                                                             |
|             | Chinese story so we will be talking about stories from                                                                              |
|             | around the world.                                                                                                                   |
| Mathematics | We are starting a unit of multiplication. After using                                                                               |
|             | numicon, we will teach using arrays, which means                                                                                    |
|             | setting out counters in rows and columns                                                                                            |
|             | e.g. 2x4 put 2 things in each row and there are 4                                                                                   |
|             | rows.                                                                                                                               |
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| Topic       | In science we will be exploring materials that squash,                                                                              |
|             | bend and stretch. Children may want to look at objects                                                                              |
|             | at home and discuss with you the materials they are                                                                                 |
|             | made of and it's properties.                                                                                                        |
| Information | KSI have a Road Safety workshop on Wednesday.                                                                                       |
|             | This week we will start rehearsing for our KSI                                                                                      |
|             | production which will be performed at St Andrew's                                                                                   |
|             | Church. More details to follow.                                                                                                     |
|             | Don't forget we have inset on Friday, a good day to go<br>for an outing, as not many other schools will have the<br>same day as us! |

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<u>Cracking Times Tables</u> continues. Every Monday child have three minutes to answer times table questions. Each child should know which tables they need to practise at home during the week and we will try to send home the test just taken, in their little blue book. Help at home with this will enable them to be successful.

Please can the children have their reading books and diaries in every day and their little blue spelling books every Monday.

Please support your child by encouraging them to read at home every night. It is extremely important they understand the meanings of unfamiliar words and that you ask them lots of questions such as:

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How do you character/s are feeling?
What has happened in previous pages?
What might happen next?
What makes you think that that might happen?
Can you spot any noun phrases?
Is that a good sentence opener? Can you think of a better one?
Non-Fiction - Tell me a fact you've learnt from this page / book.

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, Mrs Kennedy and Mrs Bentley

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