



The Heights Primary School

Year 4 Parent Planner: Spring 2 Week 2

Dear Parents/Carers

This week our theme is **Romans and World Book Day**

We have a very exciting week with our trip to Fishbourne palace planned for Wednesday and World Book Day on Thursday. Just a reminder that we will be leaving for Fishbourne Palace at 9:15am on Wednesday and will not be returning until 5pm. Children will need a small rucksack with a light weight raincoat, packed lunch and drinks bottle. **Mrs Thomas' class are in need of a parent helper to come with them, if you are interested please let the office know.**

Thursday is World Book Day. Children are invited to come to school dressed as a book character and may bring in their favourite book to share with the class.

English	Linking to our story of 'The Butterfly Lion' the children have been researching the use of animals in a circus. This week they will write a discussion on whether animals should be used in circuses. With our trip to Fishbourne Palace on Wednesday and World Book Day on Friday the children will be creating books on Fishbourne Palace.
Maths	This week in Maths, the children will extend their learning on measures with a focus on area and perimeter. On Thursday (World Book Day), the children will be in teams, named after BFG characters, and will be answering Maths questions linked to Roald Dahl books.
Topic	<p>In topic, the children will be reflecting on their school trip and creating a book about all the things they learnt at Fishbourne Palace.</p> <p>In computing, Miss Reynold's class have been following instructions to build Lego robots. They will then be linking the robots to the iPads and using the iPads to control the robot's movements. Mrs Thomas' class have been learning how to send, retrieve and reply to emails. They will then be learning how to send an attachment via email. Alongside this, the children have explored the SAFE and APPROPRIATE use of email. Once we are halfway through the term, the two classes will swap so Miss Reynold's class will learn about emails and Mrs Thomas' class will use the Lego.</p> <p>In Science, the children will develop their learning on how sounds are made and how we hear sounds. They will 'act out' what</p>

happens from the source of a sound to the ear and hearing the sound. They will then write an explanation of this.

In French, the children will use sound bites, flash cards and games to learn a variety of actions such as run, jump and walk.

In PSHE, the children will explore what makes reading a healthy activity and from here will discuss other healthy activities and what makes them healthy.

In R.E., the children will continue to explore the 'Easter' story through video clips, drama activities and discussion. They will be breaking the story down into parts and focussing on a different part each week.

In music, the children will be starting their 'Mama Mia' unit. They will be listening to songs, evaluating them and considering the instruments and dynamics being used.

In DT, the children will be investigating Roman Structures.

Miss Reynold's class now have a parent helper to mark their times tables, thank you to Amelia's Mum for helping us out with this. This week 4RR cracking times tables will be on Friday, thereafter they will return to Thursdays.

Next week, as part of World Book Day celebrations, we have a dance company in school leading some dance workshops. We couldn't believe our luck when one of the workshops on the list was Kensuke's Kingdom! The children will attend a dance assembly on Wednesday 13th March at 9:15. Their workshop will then be the following day (Thursday 14th). They will need P.E kits but can also wear leggings or tracksuit bottoms. They will be in bare feet but may bring non-slip socks if they would prefer to.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Thomas and Miss Reynolds