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# Class Newsletter

September 2024



Welcome back!

With the new academic year upon us we look forward to a variety of investigations. Outdoor learning isn't restricted to Early Years and our themes will involve **fun school visits**. Towards the New Year, we hope Peacock Class will be permitted to visit Norfolk's National Trust sites to learn bush craft skills including building a base with a fire (using survival techniques). We will learn to use carefully selected vocabulary to learn about the body, feelings and beliefs (RSHE).

Mr Murphy

Our school theme for this term is: Healthy Body, Healthy Mind!

Our inquiry question is: What is nutrition, do we need it?

Respect

Responsibility

Compassion

Trust

Courage

Perseverance

## English

After revising Standard English pupils will be encouraged to use expected levels of grammar within their own writing (for example *noun phrases*.) Story writing topics this year shall be inspired by classic novels Hodgeheg (D King-Smith) and Carrie's War (N Bawden) . As always, art is used to motivate pupils.



## Maths



When pupils enter Peacock Class each morning a maths song is playing to encourage understanding of  $\times$  and  $\div$  facts to find a product. Our friends (below) *The Number Crunchers* are available to help children understand concepts. Children will revisit place value and return to L4 Big Maths if they are currently above this level.

## Theme

At Neatishead CoE Primary School, we like to use technology. When we travel; it is an opportunity to map our journey. We will learn about what happened in the past and why it occurred, analysing the different evidence available. Our science investigations will consider a balanced diet and observe our skeleton. We will remind ourselves of artistic techniques including cross-hatch, applying tone and pointillism.

## PE

Mrs Ferrier continues to teach PE on a Tuesday afternoon – encouraging the class to become physically active for a sustained period of time. Please encourage your child to **wear their PE kit to school on Tuesdays.**

Please name all clothing.

## SMSC and RE

Upper Key Stage 2 pupils demonstrated a wonderful caring nature during lessons last year. The class shall be encouraged to maintain this skill their social and emotional awareness considering... *theology and philosophy*. Can we explain our learning about God in multiple ways? We hope to invite inspirational speaker, Paddy, back to school soon. ☺

## How to support at home

Please see the school website for details of homework. Be assured homework is always explained and examples of written methods demonstrated before setting questions. Please read with your child once per day, and contact us for reading suggestions!

## School Partnerships

We will continue to develop our partnership with the following schools:  
Goolwa Primary School, South Australia  
and  
Madya Primary School, Zimbabwe

## National Testing

For those pupils in Year 6, SATs Week is expected to take place in the third week of May. We expect government updates regarding Year 4 multiplication tests soon.  
Thank you – Mr Murphy