



## HUSTHWAITE and SESSAY CE PRIMARY FEDERATION and Hustwaite Apple Tree Nursery

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### Autumn 2 Information for Parents    Date: 14th November 2019 Class 2 GG

Dear Parents/carers,

Welcome back, we are now on the countdown to Christmas can you believe! This half term will see us reinforce the new routines from before the holidays such as growth mind-set and independent learning.

#### Class Routines

The children should remember that PE lessons are on Tuesdays and that a **full PE kit including trainers suitable for grass and outdoor kit** is necessary for these sessions. Children are able to come into class and settle as soon as the doors open at 8.40; lessons will begin at 8.50. If children are late they miss vital messages or explanations; please try to be on time. They also need to remember to **bring a water bottle** to school daily as well as their **home-school link books**. Some Tuesday afternoons will be for outdoor learning, please could children have a pair of old wellies in school. Swimming remains on Thursdays as before half term and we swim until the 13<sup>th</sup> December.

#### English:

Children will continue to receive two guided reads a week, which will focus on different aspects of reading such as comprehension, reading for pleasure and reading for information. Children will also work on spellings and phonics each day in time-tabled sessions outside of English lessons as well as covering it within lessons.

In English this half term we will cover grammar, narratives, recounts (including diaries) and instructions, and obviously there will be some work linked to Christmas. Texts will be linked to our topic of Locality where possible. We are beginning with the Tales of Beedle the Bard by J.K Rowling as she describes him as, 'a wizard born in Yorkshire in the 15<sup>th</sup> century'. We will move onto using some extracts from The Yorkshire Shepherdess' books.

#### Maths:

Children will continue to work on their times tables and arithmetic; Y3/4 using the Fluent in Five daily tasks for arithmetic and Y2 being set SATs style arithmetic questions to get them used to them (the current focus is 2 digit number additions and subtractions).

Y2 main maths content this half term will be money, multiplication and division.

Y3 content is multiplication and division.

Y4 content perimeter and length as well as multiplication and division.

#### Link Books

It is to be used as a record of their own reading at home. It can also serve as a means of communication between the school and home. Because I will not see everyone's link book on a daily basis, if there is a note for me then your child must be aware that he/she needs to bring it to my attention.

#### Homework

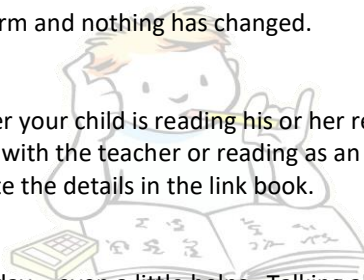
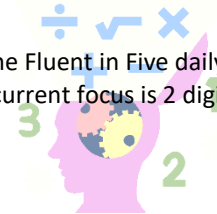
A letter was sent out at the beginning of term and nothing has changed.

#### Reading

Reading takes place daily at school, whether your child is reading his or her reading book to an adult, reading a library book, reading as part of a guided reading session with the teacher or reading as an intrinsic part of daily lessons. When you hear your child read at home, he/she should note the details in the link book.

#### What can you do to help your child?

Please encourage your child to read every day – even a little helps. Talking about reading is also vital; ask questions about the content, motivations of the characters etc. Daily quick-fire maths questions at home would also be an excellent habit to encourage; helping them when we do it at school, especially those linked to times tables, or number bonds.





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### Class 2 Coverage

Our main topic this half term will be '**From A to B**'. The main emphasis will be on geography fieldwork skills, in particular, map and compass skills linked to our locality.



Our other subject areas are:

- **RE** – Ch'n will complete 'Jesus and inspiration?'
- **PSCHE** - this half term will look at Say No to Bullying as well as continuing our well-being work. Children will also take part in Switch off Fortnight (Nov).
- **Music** –We will continue our Young Voices preparations as well as trying to learn a song on the recorders.
- **PE** –TUESDAY: FOOTBALL led by Mr Warriner-**any children who have football boots may prefer to bring them for these sessions as we will be on the top field.**
- **Science**- We will be studying Electricity in Y3/4 AND Everyday Materials in Y2 with the focus on how they can be changed-squashing, bending, twisting, made waterproof...
- **DT**- Children will be sewing stockings ready for Christmas
- **Computing** –This half term learning will cover: Programming and we will be using the Scratch programme
- **French** – we will continue to focus on conversational work and learning through songs.

*Thank you for your support, it is appreciated.*

Miss Goodchild

sowing seeds ~ bearing fruit ~ harvesting potential