

# Hintlesham & Chattisham C of E Primary School

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## Emerald Spring Term 2023/24 class newsletter

### Important information:

P.E will take place on a Tuesday and a Thursday afternoon this half term for both year groups. Children need to wear the correct P.E uniform to school on these days which is outlined below.

- Black or navy shorts
- Red T-shirt
- Trainers and plimsolls
- At certain times of the year, other items will be required, e.g. Plain, dark coloured jogging/tracksuit bottoms and jumper.
- Children are not allowed to wear jewellery for P.E. and long hair must be tied back.

Wild Woods for year 1 children will start again after the February half term.

Children should read at home everyday and this should be recorded in their reading diaries. The diaries will be checked regularly by school staff to ensure children get new books frequently. Therefore, the diaries and books need to be in school everyday. The phonics books will be read three times to develop speed and comprehension. Please could these reads also be recorded in the diaries. Please could you have a look at your child's library book and see if they are ready for a change. When they are ready for a new one, please encourage your child to let me know so they can exchange it.

There will be a weekly spelling test on a Monday and the children will be given their new spellings the same day. The children will also be given a Times Table Rockstars and Numbots login which they can access from home to help practise times tables and other number skills.

### Curriculum

#### **English:**

In spring 1, Emerald class will be writing stories based on 'The owl who was afraid of the dark'. The theme will be overcoming something. They will then look at information texts about arctic animals. In spring 2, the children will look at the story 'Grandma Bird' and also write persuasive texts.

Alongside writing, the children will continue to develop their knowledge of phonics with daily opportunities to practise the Key Stage One sounds in both phonics and reading sessions.

#### **Maths:**

Year 1 will look at numbers within 50. They will think about how the numbers are formed, compare, add and subtract. Later in the term, they will learn about length, height, mass and volume.

Year 2 will learn about money, shape and move onto multiplication and division.



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## Science:

In science, the children will be looking at the seasons. They will look at what happens in each season, day length and rainfall.

## RE:

In R.E, the children will be looking at how celebrating Pentecost reminds Christians that God is with them and how a Hindu celebrates devotion to a deity at Holi.

## Humanities:

In history, the children will be learning about transport over time supported by a trip to Ipswich transport museum. In geography this half term, the children will look at the continents and oceans and the 5 climate zones.

## PE:

The children will be working on team building skills in PE. They also have weekly badminton sessions with a specialist to develop their net and ball skills.

## Music:

The children will continue to focus on pulse, rhythm and pitch through composing improvising and performing. They will look in more detail at soul and rock music.

## Computing:

The children will create a fact book on minibeasts. They will continue to develop their technology skills for example, taking photos, recording, data collection on ipads and drawing. Next half term, they will take part in maths tasks using technology.

## PSHE:

In PSHE, the children will learn about feelings. They will learn to identify and describe different feelings and what that looks like in themselves and others. They will also learn strategies for managing big feelings and who to ask for help.

## DT and Art:

In spring 1, the children will complete a dips and dippers unit in DT. They will evaluate dips already around, design and then create their own healthy snack. In spring 2, the children will complete a 3D unit in art.

