



Unit 4 Newsletter Autumn 2 2022

Reading

In school, the children are encouraged to read daily and the use of reading records have helped to encourage the children to do this. They can take quizzes on Accelerated Reader where they can earn points. The link for AR has been posted on Teams and can be accessed at home. At the end of the half term, we will be giving certificates to every child who reaches their own individual target. Please support your child in reaching their goal by reading with them at home daily for at least 15 minutes.

Home Learning and Supporting the Curriculum at home

We have attached a selection of Knowledge Organisers, for you to use to support your child's learning at home. They set out clearly what we expect children to learn and remember in that subject. Please use them at home to reinforce and help embed your child's learning.

Times tables should be practised at least 3 times a week at home.

Reading: Please read for 15 minutes every day – you can now quiz at home.

Your child also has access to Sumdog and Spelling and Maths Shed. Weekly spelling sheets will be stuck into your child's spelling journal; children should practice their spelling in their journals.

Teams: A creative piece of work around Earth and Space. This work will be due on Monday 12th December 2022. More information is available on TEAMS.

Literacy

We are starting off the half term by exploring a narrative called 'The Tear Thief' by Carol Ann Duffy where the children will write their narrative about a thief. Our second text this half term is 'Bethlehem' by Carol Ann Duffy which explores poetry.

School Value

This half term, we are learning about Responsibility. We all need to be responsible so that our friends know they can rely on us. This helps us to be Good Citizens.



British Value

This half term, in our Class Assemblies and PSHE lessons, we are learning about the British Value of Tolerance, by understanding about different cultures and accepting others opinions.



Our Curriculum

Long Enquiries

A long enquiry typically lasts five weeks and allows us to teach a subject, such as history, in depth. Clear expectations of what will be learned, is shared with parents and pupils through a Knowledge Organiser. At the end of the work, we plan to use Enquiry Quizzes on our iPads to see how much each child has remembered.

Our Learning Enquiry this term is Design & Technology, where we will design, make and evaluate a functional and appealing product. The children will be designing and making their own slippers. The Knowledge Organiser for this is attached. Please use it to reinforce and repeat the learning at home.

Short Enquiries

A short enquiry can last anything from 1 – 3 days and adds breadth to our curriculum.

Our short enquiry this half term is History-the Falklands War. This tied in with our Remembrance Day assembly.

Maths

This half term in Maths Year 5 are exploring the four operations– addition, subtraction, multiplication and division. The Year 6 children are going to be exploring multiplication, division, and fractions. All the children are going to be using concrete resources, visual images and representations to support them with their learning.

PE:

This half term we will be doing dance during our PE lessons:

Kestrels and Hawks PE day is Thursday

Eagles PE day is Friday

Dates to remember

Friday 9th December– Non-uniform day and FOPPS Christmas Market. Please bring a bottle for the tombola.

Monday 12th December– Unit 4 Carol service at St Paul's Church 6-7pm

Wednesday 14th December– Christmas lunch

Friday 16th December- Christmas jumpers and Unit parties, and last day before Christmas holidays

School returns after Christmas holidays - Tuesday 3rd January 2023

Messages

Please continue to contact the school office by email ad-min@preston.torbay.sch.uk or phone 01803 607075 with any questions or queries. There is also lots of useful information, as well as event dates and term dates, on our school website <https://www.preston.torbay.sch.uk/>

School App

Our school app is the best way to get information about dates and events going on in the school. Search for 'School News' in your app store.