

Hornby St Margaret's Church of England Primary School

Curriculum Newsletter Summer 1

BELONGING, BELIEVING, SUCCEEDING TOGETHER

'I have come that you may have life, and have it to the full.' (John 10:10)

Welcome to Key Stage One. There will be lots of great learning opportunities to enjoy this half term. We hope you find this newsletter informative. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teachers.

Many thanks for all your continued support, *Miss Hibble and Mrs Evans*

Our topic this half term is **History**. We will be using the theme 'The lives of significant individuals in the past: Beatrix Potter and Emily Williamson' to explore key areas of learning.

Our main focus this will be: "Can campaigns and stories change the world?"

The children will use our big question to explore the impact Beatrix Potter and Emily Williamson have had on the world and our local area. We will explore what makes them significant individuals, the problems they wanted to solve, the impact their stories and campaigns had on our world today and how the world might be different without them.



In **English** we will be using the story Toys in Space as a stimulus for our writing. We will be continuing to follow a phased approach to develop reading, writing, spelling, punctuation, and grammar skills using this text. We will also be continuing our focus on correct letter formation.



Our **Maths** learning this half term, will focus on Measuring length and height before moving onto money and fractions. We will also continue to build on our knowledge of number bonds to better understand the relationships of number within these areas.

In **Science**, we will be learning about Living thing and their habitats. During this unit we will explore the difference between things that are living, dead and never been alive. We will also be exploring different habitats and micro habitats, considering why they are best suited to different kinds of animals and plants.



In **RE** this half term our unit will be focussed on the question:

"What do Christians believe happened at Ascension and Pentecost?"

We will learn about and explore the events of Ascension and Pentecost, considering why Christians believe they are significant events.

In **Computing** we will be learning about 'Data and Information: Pictograms'. We will use computers to represent objects as pictures to create pictograms, make comparisons between data and explain and present information.



In **Music** lessons, we will be exploring instruments and rhythm notation- reading and writing well known rhythms by Yolanda Brown Adventure.

In **PE**, we will continue our focus on our Fundamental Movement Skills such as underarm/ overarm throws, catching, running and jumping. In addition to this we will be developing our teamwork by participating in some striking and fielding team games.



In **Art**, we will be focusing on 'Sculptures.' Within this unit, the children will focus on developing the artistic disciplines of sculpture, drawing and collage by transforming 2d art into 3d.



Our **SCARF PSHE** theme this half term is all about "Valuing Difference".

How can I help at home?
Reading books will be sent home daily.

Please spend time each evening reading with your child, talking about the text and any challenging vocabulary. Please return reading books and signed Reading Record books to school each day. In addition to this, your children also have access to Spelling Frame to practice their weekly spellings Thank you.



Summer 1 Homework Challenge

Both Beatrix Potter and Emily Williamson were inspired by the beauty of the natural world. Go on a "Nature Walk" in your garden or a local park. Find a tiny **micro-habitat** (like long grass or a log).

1. Draw the **living things** you find there.
2. Create a small **poster or story** to campaign for the protection of that habitat.