



# Year 2 Newsletter

## Summer 2—2023/2024



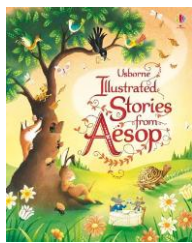
### Notices and Reminders

Please remember that PE for Year 2 is on a Thursday, so come in your PE kits with earrings removed if you wear them.

Home learning day will remain on a Friday during which time children will be able to share their home learning in class.

### Reading

In reading, the children will finish reading 'Ice Palace'. They will then explore 'Aesop's Fables' focusing on new vocabulary, answering comprehension questions and discussing the morals of the stories. We will look at the features of fables and the literary techniques that are used in the writing.



### Writing

In writing, the children will learn to describe people, places and objects using adjectives, adverbs and up-levelled vocabulary. The text is the fable, 'The Glass Cupboard'. They will then learn to write an explanation text titled, 'How a magical object works'. The children will first learn the model text with actions and images, then innovate the text as a class before finally innovating themselves.



### Key dates

- **Tues 4th June** - GB athlete Chris Gregory visiting Yr R and KS1
- **Weds 5th June** - Class Photos
- **Sat 8th June** - 12pm-3pm HaleFest!
- **Sat 6th July** – Hale Carnival
- **Weds 10th July** - KS1 Sports Day 9am until approximately 11am
- **Mon 15th July - 9am** - Rocksteady Concert for parents of children who take part in Rocksteady
- **Tues 23rd July** - Last day of term, 1:30pm finish

Term dates can be found on our website here:

<https://www.hale.kite.academy/news-and-events/term-dates/>

*Further dates will be added in due course.*

### Maths

In maths, the children will learn how to measure mass, capacity and temperature using standard units and will use the four operations to solve problems.

Next, the children will learn how to record information using block diagrams and pictograms and learn how to interpret the data. Finally, they will use the language of position to describe movement and turns.



## Music

This half term, the children will be exploring improvisation, building on their learning from the previous unit. They will use two or three notes whilst playing instruments and singing.



## Geography/History

The children will be learning about the Windrush generation. They will look at why people moved to Britain after WWII. The children will learn about what life was like for the Windrush generation when they arrived in Britain and the difficulties they faced.



## Art

The children are going to explore the world of weaving inspired by Lenore Tawney. They are learning weaving techniques such as warping, wefting, and pattern creation. Additionally, they will explore various materials and textures. The children will create their own woven masterpieces, drawing inspiration from both Lenore Tawney's legacy and their own imagination.



## PE

This term, the children will be doing gymnastics. They will be developing their skills from year 1, mastering basic movements including running, jumping, throwing and catching. As well as developing balance, agility and co-ordination and begin to apply these in a range of activities.



## Computing

The children will be learning all about word processors. This will start with an introduction to the keyboard and some of its functions. We will then delve deeper into what a word processor can do, including formatting tools such as bold, italics and underline, as well as the ever-useful undo button.



## PSHE

This term in PSHE, the children will ask the question: What is bullying? The children will explore who the special people who make us feel loved and safe. They will learn what bullying is and how to define it. Finally, they will explore why people may do things that they know are wrong and how to reflect upon this.



## Homework

Five reads a week- this will continue to be our number one priority and we will continue to reward those pupils who complete their five reads at home weekly.

Topic home learning will be sent home in green books.

We will be sending children home with some maths homework, to help them with their adding, subtracting, multiplications and division.

## Suggested books for reading



*The lost words* by Robert Macfarlane.

*Treasure Island* by Robert Louis Stevenson

