**Hazel Class Newsletter** 

Hello and welcome to Hazel Class! This newsletter will tell you all about what to expect in Hazel Class and the learning we are doing this half term.

### Hazel bear

We have a class teddy bear called Hazel Bear. Hazel Bear likes to visit the homes of all the children in the class. The children will take it in turns to bring Hazel Bear home. Keep it at your home for the weekend and see what fun you can have! When you have finished your adventures with Hazel Bear, you can help your child to write a few sentences in its special book about what you have done. You could take some pictures of what you get up to and stick them in with your writing. When Hazel Bear is brought back to school, your child will have the chance to share their sentences and pictures with the rest of the children in the class. Please make sure Hazel Bear is back in by the following Thursday, ready for the next child

Hazel Bear's first adventure will begin next week when we will select which child will take it home first!

## Paths Pupil

This year we will continue to have a Paths
Pupil of the Day. This child will be the leader
in our lines and will get compliments from
the adults and children in the class. Your
child will bring their compliments sheet
home at the end of the day.

This year, children are able to bring something in for show and tell. Therefore, when your child is selected as Paths Pupil, they can choose one thing from home to bring in and show to the rest of the class if they would like to. Please do not send show and tell in on days when they are not Paths Pupil.

# PE

Our PE days are Monday and Friday.
Children are to come into school in their PE kits on these days but wearing their normal school shoes. A pair of trainers should be kept in school at all times for the children to use at break times and during PE sessions.

#### Homework

- Reading- This is the main focus of what
  we would like you to do at home. We
  encourage you to hear your child read
  daily if you can. Regular reading will help
  your child to remember the tricky words
  and new phoneme they have been learning.
- Numbots- This is a website where children can practise their maths skills while playing a game. Children can play the game at home to help with their maths.
   We will give out certificates at the end of each week for those that have achieved a new level or have worked hard to improve their accuracy. I will send out their log in details this week, in case you have misplaced them.
- Homework books Children will bring home a homework book. Each Friday, children will be given either a piece of Maths or English work to complete. Please can this be handed in by the following Friday.
- The Big Question I will set a question at the beginning of each half term. The children can answer this question in any way they like (art work, drawings, writing etc). This work should be handed it at the end of the half term.

## **English**

We will be focusing on the story "Sidney, Stella and the moon" this half term. This will lead us to learn all about space. We will also have a big focus on handwriting

and
letter formation.

## Maths

We will start this half term by looking at place value. We will be looking at counting objects carefully and counting forwards and backwards. Towards the end of the half term, we will move onto addition and subtraction.

### Science

In science, we are going to be doing some investigations using different types of transport. We will be testing toy cars on ramps to see how far they will travel and investigating what makes a good paper aeroplane.

### History

This half term we will be learning about the first moon landing. We will start by looking at our solar system, before moving onto looking at rockets.

We will end our space work by learning about Neil Armstrong.

# Our theme this half term is "Journeys and Exploration".

#### Art

We will be focusing on our drawing skills in art this half term. We will be creating self-portraits, looking carefully at where the features need to be drawn. We will then look at the work of Picasso and make our own versions.

### DT

In DT, we are going to be making moving space pictures. The children will be designing a space scene that will then have a rocket moving across it.

## RE

Our enquiry question in RE this half term is "What do my senses tell me about the world of religion and belief?" We will be looking at how the senses are used during worship and what images and objects are used to help with this.

## PE

On a Monday, with Mr Brotherhood, the children will be practising their ball skills.

On a Friday, with Mrs Jermy, the children will be doing dance.