

Class 2 Newsletter Autumn Term 2020

Welcome back to Holy Trinity! What a strange time it has been but the children have been amazing on their first 2 days back at school. They have adapted brilliantly to all of the changes and have taken them all in their stride. Well done! We would also like to welcome Olivia and Isla to Class 2. We hope that you will have a brilliant time with your new Holy Trinity family.

Our topic for this term is '**Superheroes**', which will focus on ourselves - what are our superpowers and how can we stay fit and healthy like superheroes do. We are looking forward to a lovely term full of fun and exciting activities and learning opportunities.

Some reminders about routines in Class 2:

Water bottles: Please ensure your child brings a named and full water bottle (with water) to school every day. They stay on their desks throughout the day and we can refill them if they get emptied.

Reading: Children will read to an adult in school at least once a week as well as taking part in a Guided Reading session. Please read with your child as often as possible (at least 3 times a week is preferable), even if only for a few minutes. Please date and sign their reading record each time they read to you. There is a chart stuck in the front of their reading diaries. Every time your child reads, please colour in a box on the relevant week and day. They will be rewarded with dojo's which I have already spoken about in class 😊

PE: PE is on a Tuesday and Friday afternoon. Your child will need to come in their PE kits on those days as requested in a previous email.

Book Bags: Whilst we try to check children's book bags daily, there may be days when we are unable to do so. **Please encourage your child to hand any reply slips or money to a member of staff as they come into school.**

Homework: All children will be sent home with a yellow homework book next week. Inside there will be spellings to learn and on some weeks, some maths facts. They will be asked to spell the words/recall the maths on a Thursday morning. The maths facts are to help develop the children's fluency with number facts such as number bonds and counting patterns. Some weeks there may be a worksheet/activity linked to what we have been learning in the week.

Below is an overview of some of the things that the children will be doing this half term. I will post the things we will be learning each week on a Monday on Class Dojo.

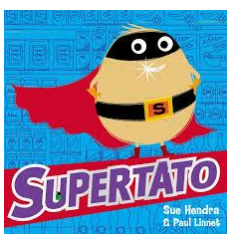
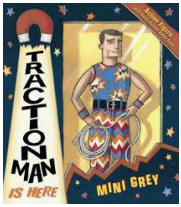
Thank you for your support. If you have any questions or queries about anything, then please do not hesitate to phone/email me: jhughes@southwellhollytrinity.notts.sch.uk

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English

We will be looking at a variety of texts linked to Superheroes. These include Traction Man by Mini Grey, Heroes Who Help us From Around the World by Liz Gogerly, Supertato by Sue Hendra and Superbat by Matt Carr.

We will be sequencing stories, creating story maps and writing our own. We will write lists and fact sheets. We will also have a go at a newspaper report. As a final piece of writing we will use all of our superhero vocabulary to write an acrostic poem.



Maths

We will be using the White Rose Scheme at Holy Trinity this year. You will hopefully be familiar with the format from the home learning you did during lockdown!

Year 1's:

We will recap on learning from Year R and start with Place Value up to 10. They will then move on to addition and subtraction to 10.

Year 2's:

Will start with Place Value. We will be spending the first three weeks on this, recapping what they learnt in Year 1 and consolidating new learning.

They will then move on to addition and subtraction.



Phonics

Year 1's:

We will start by recapping and consolidating phonemes from Year R. We will then do Set 2 of the Read Write Inc scheme. This includes digraphs and trigraphs such as: ay, ee, igh and ir. We will then move on to the alternative digraphs later on in the term. For example ee, ea, ay, ai etc. There will be lots of opportunity to apply the sounds in both reading and writing.

Year 2's: We will start with the learning new words and revisiting phonics on spelling play.co.uk.

This will include things such as words with a hard or soft 'c' or 'g'. It also includes looking at words with long and short vowel sounds.

s	t	p	n	m	a	e	i	o
sat	tap	pan	nose	mat	ant	egg	ink	otter
g	d	ck	r	h	u	ai	ee	igh
goat	dog	click	run	hat	up	rain	knee	light
b	f	l	j	v	oa	oo	oo	ar
bus	farm	lolly	jam	van	boat	cook	boat	star
w	x	y	z	qu	or	ur	ow	oi
wish	axe	yell	zap	quill	fork	burn	now	boil
ch	sh	th	th	ng	ear	air	ure	er
chin	ship	think	the	sing	near	stair	sure	writer

Science, History & Geography

We will be doing an experiment to show why using soap is really important when washing our hands.

We will be learning about animals (including humans) and their young. We will create healthy lunchboxes and learning about the importance of healthy eating and exercise. We will also learn about what animals need to survive.



RE

Our RE work this term is based on one of the main Christian celebrations of Harvest.

We will focus on the Creation story and think about what it tells Christians about God, Creation and the world. We will also explore what Christians do to look after the world for God as well as think, talk and ask questions about living in an amazing world.



Computing

We will be using the Chrome Books to access Purple Mash. Your child's login details will be stuck in their reading diaries in the next couple of weeks just in case you have forgotten!

We will use the mash cam to create our own Superheroes and type in the speech bubble.

We will also learn about being safe on the internet and what to do if we're unsure about something.



PE

On Tuesday afternoons, we will be developing our multi-skills with Scott from Little Wickets.

Our Friday afternoon we will be doing tennis with Nick from Ace Sports.



Music

We will be listening and responding to pieces of superhero music. We will listen to the dynamics and tempo and try and create our own using unturned instruments. We will also try and make up a theme tune for Traction Man!



Art & Design & Technology

We have already drawn our portraits which are currently on display in Class 2.

We will be designing and making superhero capes and masks. We will also be creating our own superheroes.

We will make our own Supertato using pipe cleaners, googly eyes and felt.



Show and Tell

I hope that you have all received your show and tell timetable for the half term. I have also attached a copy on Class Dojo.

Show and Tell is a popular thing at Holy Trinity and we want to build the children's confidence at speaking in front of the class and to develop their speaking and listening skills.



Other Useful Information

I will be holding a Zoom Welcome Meeting/Phonics workshop on Thursday 10th September at 6pm. You should've received an invitation to this via email.

We will send out other useful dates on a separate letter/emails as and when necessary.