



## Home School Guide – Spring 2 2021

### Sunbeams – Years 1 and 2

Finally we are all back together and Mrs Stephenson and I could not be more excited to be teaching your children for the remaining three weeks of this half term. We have lots of learning planned for our class as well as lots of egg-citing Easter activities for the whole school!

I would like to welcome back Mr Roderick into Sunbeams this half term as a teaching student from Huddersfield University in their second year of their teaching degree and Miss Iqbal from Leeds Beckett University also in her second year who has been with us since January.

**Here is an overview of what we will be covering for the remainder of this half term.**

**English** – We will complete our work around the story *Monkey See, Monkey Do* which is a meeting tale with two main characters that have a disagreement but everything ends happily. We will continue looking at exclamation marks and similes and using these in our own version of the story. We will also write a recount for our Red Nose Day.


**Maths** – Year 1 will continue their work on measurement of length, height, capacity and weight. Year 2 will cover fractions for the last three weeks.


#### **Foundation Subjects –**

**History** – We will be looking at the Industrial Revolution which was a time of invention and change that had a significant effect on the way people lived and worked. Until the Industrial Revolution, most people lived in small communities where farming was the main type of work. New technology was invented like steam-powered machines. This meant that the things people needed could be made in factories and much faster and cost less to make for example clothes. We will also be learning about steam engines and some significant people from the past – Queen Victoria, Florence Nightingale and Grace Darling.

**DT** – Children will learn about healthy eating and how to use utensils safely to create a fruit salad.

### Things to remember

- Start time for our class only is **8.40am** and pick up time is **3.10pm**. **All children should be dropped off and picked up at the pedestrian gate at the front of school only.**
  - We will now be sending reading books home. At the beginning of the day we change our books. Reading Diaries need to be signed by parents and shown to an adult in class before a new book can be chosen.
  - **Library books** will be changed every Thursday, please make sure it is returned each week.
  - **Bookbags can now be brought into school** and must be brought in every day. No reading books or library books will be sent home otherwise.
  - **PE** is on Thursday and will be taught by a specialist from Ultimate Sport. **Children must come to school dressed in their PE kits on this day. They will NOT be getting changed in school.**
  - **Spellings** are sent home on a Friday as part of the homework. A spelling test will be completed the following Thursday. All other homework should be returned the following Wednesday.
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- Please make sure your child has a **water bottle** in school each day filled with fresh water – **no juice please**.
  - **Morning snack** – please send your child with a piece of fruit, vegetables, cheese or fruit juice. There will still be **no Tuck Shop**. Crisps, biscuits, chocolate etc will not be allowed to be eaten in school at break time and will be returned home the same day.
  - **Please remember we are a nut free school.**

### Websites to access

<https://trockstars.com/>

<https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk>

[www.purplemash.com](http://www.purplemash.com)

[www.spellingshed.com/en-gb](http://www.spellingshed.com/en-gb)

Username and passwords to these accounts will be sent home with your child this week. Please see Mrs Stephenson or I if you cannot access them at home.

### Key Dates

**School reopens on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February 8.40am**

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> March** - Non uniform for a piece of Easter chocolate for the chocolate tombola

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> March** - Film Night £2.00 - bring your own snacks!

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March** - Comic relief - wear something funny for money £1.00 donation for the Comic Relief charity

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March** - Bags for School will be collected

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March** - Sponsored Easter Fun Run and egg hunt – details to follow

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March** - Deadline for Egg decorating competition – details to follow

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> March** - Easter Raffle and chocolate tombola

**Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March** - Easter party 3.30pm – 5.00pm £2.00 per child. £1.00 for food - hot dogs and Easter nest plus tuck shop

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March** – last day of term normal finish time

**School reopens on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April**

