



Home School Guide – Summer 1 2021

Sunbeams – Years 1 and 2

Welcome back! I hope you have all had a lovely Easter break and are ready for another packed half term of learning and events.

Mr Roderick will continue his work in Sunbeams this half term as a teaching student from Huddersfield University in his second year of his teaching degree.

Here is an overview of what we will be covering this half term.

English – We will be using the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears as a model for writing our own finding tale and writing some non-chronological reports on bears.

Maths – Year 1 will cover multiplication and division and place value up to 100.

Year 2 will cover all 4 of the operations – addition, subtraction, multiplication and division, number and place value and time.


Foundation Subjects –


Geography – We will be looking at hot and cold areas in the world and why they experience the weather they do. We will learn there are two poles: North and South and how to use a compass to read North. We will look at the 4 points of the compass and use prepositional language to describe where things are on the map.

Art – Children will learn about the work of Lucy Poskitt and textiles. They will learn how to plait using 2 or 3 pieces of material; how to weave using a range of techniques: Cardboard loom, circle weaving, stick weaving and straw weaving; how to weave in different directions: Plain weave: under and over, soumak weave: looping the thread back.

Science – We will be labelling parts of plants and trees. We will learn that some trees are evergreen and some are deciduous. Deciduous trees lose their leaves in winter. Some deciduous trees are oak, sycamore, beech, ash and willow. Evergreen trees keep their leaves all year around. Some evergreen trees are fern, spruce, pine and fir.

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. On **Thursdays** we will 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

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 12th April 8.40am

Monday 19th April – School Photographer, individual photos

Wednesday 21st April – Games Night, after school event. Details to follow.

Week Commencing Monday 26th April – Parents Evening. More information to follow.

Friday 30th April - School Photographer, class photos

Monday 3rd May – Bank Holiday Monday, school closed

Friday 7th May – NSPCC Number Day

Friday 14th May – Teacher Training Day, school closed to pupils

Monday 17th May – Eid class parties after school event. Details to follow.

Friday 28th May – Wear it Blue Day in support of the Huddersfield Town Foundation

Friday 28th May - last day of term normal finish time

School reopens on Monday 7th June