

Honley C.E.
Junior, Infant & Nursery School
Year 2
Spring 1st Half Term

Dear Parent/Carer

Our Topic for this half term is 'Katie Morag - An Island Home' and is linked to the stories by Mairi Hedderwick.

Science

We will be investigating different forces such as gravity, air resistance, friction, buoyancy and pressure. We will be doing different investigations relating to forces.

Geography & Computing

We will be studying maps and our local area compared to the Isle of Struay (Coll). We will be identifying human and physical features of both localities. We will be looking at maps of the United Kingdom and locating the places studied. In Computing we will discuss and create simple algorithms to program a 'Beebot' to move around a map.

Art and D&T

We will be designing, making and testing a model vehicle and finding out about axles, wheels and chassis'.

We will be studying the work of the local artist, David Hockney and producing bright, landscape paintings in his style.

PSHE

We will be thinking about 'Going for Goals'. We will be setting new personal and class targets linked to New Year's Resolutions.

RE

Children will be finding out about stories from the Old and New Testament led by Mrs Gledhill.

Dance and Games

Children will continue to benefit from the expertise of Ms. Goldthorpe working on dance and movement linked to the sea and the Katie Morag stories. Children will also participate in circuit training and fitness in their games lesson.

Music

Children will explore 'Pulse and Rhythm' using and listening to a range of instruments. This lesson is led by Mrs Gledhill

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Tyler and Mrs Key

English

We will be...

- learning how to write stories using the correct punctuation and concentrating on inverted commas (speech marks), commas in lists, omission and possession apostrophes
- writing extended stories linked to Katie Morag and other characters within the story by using drama and character profiles to help us.
- Recognising, verbs, adverbs, nouns and adjectives within a sentence.

Maths

As well as completing our weekly maths homework we will be...

- learning how to count forwards and backwards quickly in 2s, 5s and 10s from any number up to and beyond 100
- Learning the 2 and 10 times tables
- Doubling numbers up to 40 and halving even numbers to 80
- solving word problems using money, measures and shape (please take me shopping with coins to spend and receive change)
- using an empty number line when subtracting by 'counting on' from the smallest number
- partitioning when adding more than two 2 or 3 digit numbers together