



The Federation of Longhorsley and
Whalton C of E Schools

Class 2 Spring 2 Newsletter



We hope you've had a great break, and welcome back to Spring!

We are looking forward to an active, engaging and fun half term. Weekly homework will be given on Thursdays, due by the following Wednesday and spelling tests will continue on Tuesdays, with spelling lists provided in your child's reading record. Parents are always welcome to reach out with any questions or concerns and we look forward to seeing you on our special occasions like the Easter Services.

With thanks, Miss Bowen

~Maths~

This half-term, children will develop their measuring skills and how to use measuring equipment accurately. They will be investigating length and height (cm, m), mass (g, kg), volume and capacity (ml, l). Why not encourage practical maths at home, through measuring weights and volumes when cooking?

~Computing~

This half-term, we will explore the technology around us and practice basics like logging in, using a mouse, and typing on a keyboard - building essential tech skills and digital confidence.

~Religious Education~

This half-term, we will be exploring the events leading up to Easter. We will talk about the importance of Jesus, what led to the meeting in The Garden of Gethsemane, who helps and betrays Jesus and how, out of sadness, has come happiness and time to celebrate together.

~Commando Joe~

Children will continue to complete Commando Joe missions inspired by Samuel Pepys, learning about his diary and the Great Fire of London. They will explore historical events, solve challenges and work collaboratively to deepen their understanding.

~Literacy~

Each week we will be writing our own weekend news - varying the way we start our sentences and using connectives (and, but, so, because) to join our ideas together.

The Colourful Semantics approach to sentence writing will also be embedded this term, thinking about who, is doing what, where and when, in order to help us accurately construct and edit our sentences.

We will continue with RWI Phonics, focussing on learning how to use our Set 3 sounds when spelling.

~Design and Technology~

First, we will explore different materials and their purpose and then we will look at how materials have been joined and the effectiveness of the process!

We will then make our own puppets; learning how to sew, create a running stitch and how to glue effectively, if needed!

~Physical Education~

We are going to learn the basic skills to be able to play Hockey. Learning how to control the ball - dribbling, passing, hitting and controlling the ball.



~Science~

We will be focusing on living things in their habitats. Looking at coastal, ocean, woodland, rainforest and ponds. How are these similar and different? Our scientist focus is Terry Nutkins.



~Geography~

In this half term, we will be looking at the United Kingdom: the different countries, cities, landmarks and land use. We will then compare London with Brasilia (the capital of Brazil), noting similarities and differences between the two.

~PSHE~

In PSHE, we will develop our understanding of Money. We will explore, how people earn their own money and then how they choose to save money.

~Music~

Our theme, until Easter, is the Orchestra and the songs we learn will reflect this.

Alongside our glocksenspiel playing, we will learn to compose our own music and write it as a graphic score.