



# CLASS 2MW

THE PURPOSE OF THIS NEWSLETTER IS TO INFORM YOU OF THE TOPICS THAT YOUR CHILDREN WILL BE STUDYING DURING THIS HALF TERM.



## BEVERLEY GATE AND

### Reading

### COASTLINES

### Numeracy

The children will continue to follow the Read Write Inc programme to support their phonics and develop their fluency of reading.

As a class we will be focusing on the text 'Hotel Flamingo' by author Alex Milway. The children will develop reading aloud skills and work at becoming a fluent reader with growing comprehension skills. They will learn about unusual spelling patterns and tricky words as well as expanding their vocabulary by discussing new words that they come across in their reading.

### Science

In Science the children will be learning about 'Materials.' This project teaches the children about the uses of everyday materials and how materials' properties make them suitable or unsuitable for specific purposes. We will explore how materials can be changed and find out that shapes of solid objects made from some materials can be changed by squashing, bending, twisting and stretching.

### R.E.

In R.E the children will be focusing on 'Who is Jewish and how do they live?' The children will recognise the words in the Jewish Shema and retell the Jewish story linked to the celebration of Hanukkah. The children will learn about Jewish festivals and understand how people celebrate these special celebrations. Children should then be able to reflect on their learning of Judaism and discuss what they think is good about thanking, praising and remembering for Jewish people.

### Home Reading

Home reading books will be sent home to support our Read Write Inc Phonics and reading programme, as well as books to encourage children to share stories with you and read for pleasure.

Please discuss these with your child and sign their reading record daily and return them to school each day. Each child will be entered into a reading challenge where they must read at least 3 times each week.

### PSHE

In PSHE (Jigsaw) we will be working on 'Dreams and Goals.' This will cover choosing goals and thinking about ways that they can achieve them. The children will focus on persevering, even when tasks are hard, and working well in a group to solve problems.

Our main areas of study will be:

- Recognise 2-D and 3-D shapes
- Lines of symmetry
- Count faces, edges and vertices of shapes
- Count money in pence and pounds
- Compare amounts of money
- Calculating money
- Making a pound
- Finding change

We will be focusing on the 2, 5 and 10 times tables.

Your support at home with helping your children to learn their times tables will be greatly appreciated.

### History/Geography

During History lessons the children will learn about the importance that Beverley Gate had to Hull's history and the children will learn that the walls and gates were used to fortify and protect settlements.

In Geography, the children will be learning about how erosion has affected Holderness Coast. The children will learn about the physical features of coastal regions across the United Kingdoms, exploring these through maps and keys.

### Music

In music children will be exploring the piece of music called 'I want to play in a band.' They will explore the pulse and rhythm of this song.

### Computing

In computing we will be focusing on programming skills and robot algorithms. The children will develop their understanding of instructions in sequences and predict the outcomes. They will investigate different orders of commands and explain how the order affects the outcome.

### Art/DT

In Art the children will learn about portraiture. The children will develop their skills as artists to analyse the portraits of Tudor monarchs. In Design and Technology the children will learn about making and strengthening structures, including different ways of joining materials to make their own beach hut.

### PE

In PE the children will be focusing on developing their Cognitive skills. PE lessons will usually be on a Wednesday. PE kits should be brought into school every Monday and taken home to be washed every Friday. Children will need their PE kit of plain red shorts and plain white T Shirt, as well as their outdoor kit of plain black joggers and black jumper. Trainers are also required on this day.

**If you have any concerns that you need to discuss with me, please email me at [m.worrall@stj.hslt.academy](mailto:m.worrall@stj.hslt.academy) or ring the school office if it is urgent.**