

## **Gayhurst Community School**

## Class Information for Parents / Carers

Date: March 2024 Teacher: Sonya Class: 2S

A message from your child's teacher:

Thank you everyone for such a successful term. The children have worked incredibly hard and produced wonderful displays during creativity week, made a huge effort on World Book Day, where they enjoyed a workshop with the author Louie Stowell. They also had a fantastic trip to the School of Food. Excitingly, next term we will be starting our Drumming and Dance lessons on Friday. STEM week will also be happening in the Summer term as well as the TAG gallery, so lots to look forward to! Thank you for your on going support and we wish you a restful Easter holidays.

In English: We will be developing our sentences. We will be learning to punctuate our sentences correctly using capital letters, full stops, question marks and exclamation marks. We will be using commas for lists and using coordination (and, or, but) and subordination (when, if, that, or because). We will be reading a range of books this term. Splash Anna. Hibiscus which is about a girl called Anna who lives in Africa. She goes to the beach with her family and all she wants to do is 'splash' in the waves, but will anyone join her? We will be writing a diary and character descriptions and asking questions based on this book. We will also be looking at Who's afraid of the big bad book which about a boy called Herb who falls into the book and meets characters from traditional tales. We will be writing our own character and setting We will also be looking at The Magic Finger which is about a girl who uses her magic power in her finger to bring to stop what she doesn't approve of. Please continue to read with your child daily. However, We ask that you DO NOT share these books with your child before next term as we would like the text to be a surprise!

In Maths: We will be learning to consolidate our understanding of place value by recognising the place value of each digit in a 2-digit number and comparing and ordering numbers to 100. We will be learning about Position and Direction and describing position turns (quarter, half and three quarter turns) and movement (forwards, backwards, up and down) and creating and identifying patterns. We will also be describing positions of items, describing turns of right angles. We will be continuing our understanding of adding and subtracting two 2-digit numbers and understanding the inverse. We will also be applying our knowledge to real life contexts. We will also be calculating multiplications and divisions (related to the 2,5 and 10 times tables) and practicing doubles up to 10 and then 100 using concrete objects and pictorial representations. When learning about money, we will be writing money as pounds and pence, finding the differences between amounts and calculating change.

## In Science, Computing, RE and Geography:

Next term, in Science the children will be learning about **Growing Plants**. The children will be learning about the different types of seeds, how they germinate, how different seeds and bulbs grow and how seeds are dispersed. We will also be learning about **Animals including Humans**. looking closely at what animals need, their lifecycles and the importance of a healthy lifestyle. Our topic in RE will **Islam**. We will be finding out more about EID, Ramadan and the Haji. Our topic for DT will be **construction**. We will be looking at free standing structures and building our own free standing structure. Our topic in Geography will be all about Geography in the UK In computing will learning to **code**.

## In PE:

This term we will have P.E on a TUESDAY and FRIDAY. It is very important that all children have a complete change of clothes for PE, for safety and hygiene including trainers or plimsolls. Please provide your child with a hair band if they long hair and ensure they do not wear any jewellery.

School starts promptly at 9:00 am and ends at 3:30 pm. Please inform the school if your child is sick