



Autumn 2022 1st Half Term – Year 4

Hello and welcome from the new Team Heathland. We hope you all had a great Summer Holiday and are looking forward to the year ahead.

We have a busy year ahead and the aim of these updates is to keep you informed of team specific information and dates that will be useful to you. These will include things like dates for trips, workshops and important events. We also aim to give you an overview of what the children will be learning each half term. We will ensure that throughout the year we provide lots of opportunities to talk about how you can support your children at home with different activities for their learning.

The classes in Team Heathland are as follows:

Heather (Year 3) – Miss Wells and Mrs Kinsman

Sundew (Year 3&4) – Miss Mason, Miss De Armas, Mrs Butler and Mrs Mills

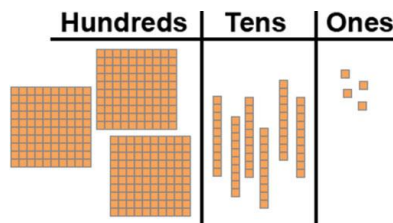
Bracken (Year 4) – Miss Reith and Miss Simpson

English

- ★ **Writing** - the children will spend this half term focusing on a range of punctuation, conjunctions, adverbs and organising paragraphs. They will begin to explore the overarching topic of Egyptians through their own research and writing.
- ★ **Reading**- the children will be focusing on comprehension skills and deepening their understanding of a text by bringing their own views and opinions. They will also understand the structure and features of new text types and compare them to texts that they are already familiar with.
- ★ **Spellings** – Your child will soon bring home their new 'Spelling Wall'. They will have five spellings to learn each week. They will also spend some time in class understanding how to practice new spelling words.

Maths

- ★ **Place Value**- we will re-cap our knowledge of place value, extending children's knowledge of bigger, and more complex numbers. This will also develop their skills to round numbers up and down.



- ★ **Four Operations**- we will be using our place value knowledge to secure our understanding of how to apply addition, subtraction, multiplication and division to problem solving. The children will then progress on to developing their formal written methods, for example, partitioning and column addition.

Foundation Subject focus areas

- ★ **Geography:**
Egypt – location and main biomes
- ★ **Computing:**
Computing systems and networks: collaborative tools
- ★ **RE:**
Hinduism - Diwali
- ★ **PE:**
Invasion games: Netball & Basketball
- ★ **PSHE:**
Mind-up curriculum
- ★ **Art Week focus:**
Line: Illustrations
- ★ **Science:**
Forces and Magnets
- ★ **Music:**
Pulse and rhythm (Theme: All about me)
- ★ **French:**
Talking about portraits; using adjectives

Foundation Subject big questions will be updated on the school website.

Team Heathland reminders for this half term

- ★ Please ensure your child's uniform is clearly labelled, it is much easier to return lost items if they are named. This includes school water bottles that every child is required to have in school daily.
- ★ P.E. days are as follows:
Heather and Bracken - Monday and Tuesday
Sundew – Tuesday and Thursday

Many thanks for your support
Miss Mason, Miss Reith and Miss Wells