



English

The Pirates
Next Door

Maths

Shape
Fractions

PE

Multi-skills

RE

Christianity
Easter

Jigsaw

Healthy Me



Science

What does it mean if a material is absorbent?

What does it mean if a material is waterproof?

Why do some materials float and some sink?

What is a fair test?

History

Who was Blackbeard?

When was he alive?

Why is he famous?

What did he do?

What happened to him?

Geography

What are the names of the Earth's continents and oceans?

What are the main cities in the United Kingdom?

What makes Bristol Harbour special?

Computing

Programming

Coding

Commands

Algorithms

Bee Bots

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Designing a pirate ship

Choosing materials

Using tools

Making a pirate ship

Evaluating

General

Welcome back to another exciting term in Year 2! Our brand new topic this term is **Pirates**, and we are all looking forward to full reopening on March 8th 2021!

Staggered

We will be continuing with staggered start and finish times this term. Hedgehogs will start at 08:30 and finish at 14:40. Owls will start at 08:45 and finish at 14:55. Rabbits will start at 09:00 and finish at 15:10. Please arrive on site no more than five minutes before your child's drop off time and pick up time.

PE

From March 8th, Year 2 Owls will have PE on Wednesdays, Year 2 Rabbits will have PE on Thursdays and Year 2 Hedgehogs will have PE on Fridays. Your child can come to school in their PE kit on their PE day.

Reading at home

Please listen to your child read at least five times every week as part of their home learning. All reading counts – Collins eBooks, Reading Eggs, menus, webpages, cereal packets etc. Please also remember to use your child's HASP Book to record when they read at home and to upload or send a photo of your child's completed reading record to your child's teacher via Class Dojo each week.

Homework

Once schools fully reopen, homework will set again on Reading Eggs(press) and Doodle Maths. If you have any problems accessing the homework, please let your class teacher know. You can find your child's username and password for both Reading Eggs(press) and Doodle Maths in their HASP Book.

Messages

Please check Class Dojo regularly for any posts or messages from school staff. This will still be our main form of communication. Although you can contact class teachers using the messaging facility on Class Dojo, please phone the school office on 01454 862510 with any urgent messages that require a prompt response, including any changes to your child being collected from school. Any absences need to be reported before 9am on 01454 862511 or via email: absence@hanhamprimaryfederation.org

English

To help your child at home with their English this term, you could do the following:

- Read and discuss the Talk for Writing model texts.
- Ask your child to 'talk the text' for the model texts using the text maps.
- Remind your child to use capital letters at the start of their sentences and proper nouns.
- Help your child to punctuate their sentences with full stops, exclamation marks, question marks and commas in a list and to understand the difference between these.
- Help your child to extend their sentences using both coordinating and subordinating conjunctions.
- Use the suggestions in the following guide to help your child with their reading at home, particularly for comprehension:
<https://www.hanhamprimaryfederation.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/Year-2-Reading-at-home.pdf>
- Ensure your child regularly uses Reading Eggs(press), including practising spelling via the 'Spelling' section (Reading Eggs) and the 'English Skills' section (Reading Eggspress).

Text maps will be sent via Class Dojo at the start of each Talk for Writing English unit.

Maths

To help your child at home with their Maths this term, you could practise the following:

- Recognising 2D shapes and their different properties, including sides and vertices.
- Recognising 3D shapes and their different properties, including faces, edges and vertices.
- Recognising and drawing lines of symmetry.
- Recognising and finding half of shapes and numbers.
- Recognising and finding a quarter of shapes and numbers.
- Recognising and finding a third of shapes and numbers.
- Recognising and finding three quarters of shapes and numbers.
- Understanding the equivalence of a half and two quarters.
- Counting in fractions.
- Playing the online game 'Hit the Button' to help with rapidly recalling number facts like number bonds, doubles, halves and times tables: <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>