

Heron's' Curriculum Newsletter

Spring Term 2025



Mathematics

The children will continue with their topic of addition and subtraction within 20, whilst building on their fluency, reasoning and problem-solving skills. The children will then extend their understanding of place value to numbers within 50. Each of these will be supported with the use of concrete resources, pictorial representations to support the children's understanding. The children will be also be taking part in another Maths session near the end of each day which builds on their understanding of numbers and quick recall of number facts to further develop their confidence and fluency within Maths.

English

In English, we will be basing our learning all around the fantastic story 'Beegu'. The children will enjoy the hook into the book which will be a spaceship crash landing on our school field! The children will then be writing a character description and learning how to use the conjunction and. The children will then have the opportunity to innovate the story before creating their own adventure for Beegu.

During Phonics, we will be continuing to grow the code, as we learn alternative graphemes. Herons will continue to have group reading sessions three times a week and will bring home a reading book from these sessions.

Phonics reading books – Changed every **Thursday**

Library books – Changed every **Friday**

Rainbow Reads – Counted on a **Thursday**

Please make sure your child's reading books and diaries are **in school every day.**



Tapestry

A home learning task will be added to Tapestry **each Friday**, this is to be completed by the following Friday. This is to support your child and prepare them ready for their Phonics Screening in June.

Science



This half term we will be continuing with our Science unit focusing on 'Seasons'. The children will continue to learn and observe changes for each of the four different season in the UK. The children will also observe and describe different types of weather in the four seasons and how the day length varies. Throughout this topic, the children will be able to ask questions and become inquisitive thinkers.

Humanities

This half term we will be focusing on Geography and we will be exploring 'Our Local Area'. We will be learning about and exploring our immediate local area, the town of Tamworth and then identifying the four countries which make up the UK. This will definitely be an exciting topic where we will be taking the learning outside of the classroom.

Art & Design Technology

Our fourth Art topic will be about 'Watercolours'. The children will be exploring the medium of watercolours and building up techniques and skills ready to produce their own watercolour masterpiece.



Personal, Social and Health Education

For our fourth topic of the year, we will be focusing on 'What we put into our bodies'. The children will be discussing all of the different items we put into or onto our bodies. We will then discuss the importance of medication and having an awareness of other people's needs such as inhalers and epipens.

Please make sure that your child has their names in all of their uniform and a water bottle that is clearly labelled too.

Key Dates for Herons

Please keep checking 'The Dates for your Diary' section on our weekly newsletters too!



Thursday 6th March – World Book Day (wearing pyjamas)

Friday 14th March – Herons Assembly + Parent DT Workshop

Monday 14th April – Friday 25th April – Half Term

Thursday 1st May – INSET Day

Tuesday 6th May – Tempest Class Photos

Monday 26th May – Friday 30th May – Half Term

Monday 9th June – Herons' Rock It Parents session @2:30pm

Monday 9th June – Friday 13th June – Phonics Screening Check

Friday 20th June – Sport's Day

Saturday 5th July – Summer Fair (12pm-2pm)

Monday 7th July – Friday 11th July – Fierte Festival Week

Friday 18th July – End of Term Family Picnic, Family Games, Celebration Assembly

Physical Education

P.E lessons will be on a **Wednesday** and **Friday** with Mrs Sweeney. Please make sure your child has their PE kit in school; labelled with their name to help when changing. The children will be focussing on 'Dodgeball' and 'Striking and Fielding' this half term.



Staffing in Herons



Miss J Matthews – Monday – Friday

Miss L Coggins – Monday – Friday

Miss S Garrett – Every Friday morning.

How you can support your child at home



Please listen to your child read **daily** and record in their reading diaries. Please also support children with their weekly home learning task and their phonic sounds and word cards.