

Message from Mrs Hemingway

Welcome to the Spring LKS2 newsletter! I hope you all had a lovely half term. I am sure lots of you will have enjoyed the brief spells of good weather, and also will have spent some time outdoors! The second half of the Spring term has lots of fantastic events lined up, such as, World Book Day, Fairtrade Fortnight and Red Nose Day. We will also be enjoying Computing, Food Technology and Design Technology curriculum days. Keep an eye on your child's class Twitter page for a glimpse of what they have been getting up to. This termly newsletter will continue to celebrate the work the children have achieved and give you an insight into what the next term will entail. As always, thank you for continuing to support us.

Dates for the Diary

- w/b 20th February: Fairtrade Fortnight begins
- 21st February: Shrove Tuesday
- 22nd February: Valentines Disco
- 24th February: Mother's Day Event
- 2nd March: World Book Day
- 7th March: LKS2 Road Safety Talk
- 17th March: Red Nose Day
- 21st March: World Poetry Day
- 29th March: Consultation Evening
- 30th March: Consultation Evening



LKS2 Email Address

Please do not hesitate to contact me via email (lks2lead@daneroyd.com) with any queries. This email address provides a quick way to get in touch with myself so any enquiries can be dealt with promptly.

Reminder

Friday is our Year 4 swimming day. Please send appropriate kit with your child on this day including a towel.

Water Bottles and Snack

We will ask children to continue to bring in their own water bottles from home. Children can take their bottles home daily to be washed. Please note, **only water** is allowed in water bottles.

Children are allowed to bring in **fruit** for their morning snack.

There is also the option of purchasing school milk. Further information has been sent out about this early in Autumn.



Twitter

Remember to sign up for your child's class twitter page to receive any updates and to keep up to date with the fantastic things that the next academic year will bring!

- @DaneRoydY3
- @DaneRoydY3_4
- @DaneRoydY4



Year 4 Multiplication Check

A reminder that all Year 4 children will complete the statutory multiplication check in the Summer 2022 term.

The DfE states that the check is part of a new focus on mastering numeracy, giving children the skills and knowledge, they need for secondary school and beyond. The purpose of the MTC is to determine whether Y4 pupils can recall their multiplication tables fluently.

Children should continue to practise on TT Rockstars (Studio and Soundcheck) as well as on the following website which replicates the actual check: <https://www.timestables.co.uk/multiplication-tables-check/>



Mental Health and Wellbeing

Imagine 3 months from now.



Try drawing or writing what could look different, what challenges you might have faced and what positive changes you want to make.

Try to focus on things that seem possible to achieve like feeling more confident about a subject in school, starting a new hobby or making a new friend.

If it's hard to think that far ahead, you could start by imagining next week or next month.

Safeguarding

We have four Designated Senior Leads for Safeguarding in School.
Miss Kelly is the Senior DSL and Mrs Kendall, Mrs Hemingway and Mr Lee are our Deputy DSLs.
Mrs Kendall and Mrs Hemingway are the Senior Mental Health and Wellbeing Leads in school.

Spring 2 Topics

In Spring 2, we will be continuing to learn all about Myths, Mystery and the Minotaur, a study into the Ancient Greek Empire. Children will be exploring the impact that the Ancient Greek world and its developments has had on the world and our lives today. They will also look at what made the empire so powerful. Across school, children have been talking about their short and long term dreams and goals, and some of the work produced will be showcased in our entrance hall.

Design Technology and Art

In Spring 1, we sketched Ancient Greek vases depicting different mythical beasts. We also learnt the structure of a pavilion, and made these in our Design Technology lessons.



World Book Day and Red Nose Day

World Book Day: We have made the decision this year to have a pyjama theme for WBD. This will hopefully help every child be able to come dressed for the event. All we ask is that the PJ's are warm and suitable to wear for a school day, and sensible shoes are worn

Red Nose Day: Children are invited to wear something red on Friday 17th March. They could wear their favourite red top, red socks or maybe a red headband.

Food Technology

In Spring 1, LKS2 made apple crumble in our Food Technology lessons. We learnt how to safely peel and chop fruit, how to make a crumble, and how to weigh ingredients.



Computing

We have been learning how to create algorithms in our Computing lessons:

