



# Term 2 Newsletter

## Where in the World are we?



Dear Parents,

I hope you have had a restful half term. I look forward to welcoming the children back this term to explore our topic of 'Where in the World are we?'. This topic will provide us with the opportunity to explore our local area. We will discover how the Ashdown Forest has changed over the past 100 years, as well as uncover the significant events which have shaped Hartfield. In addition to discovering Hartfield's past, the children will learn to recognise the geography of their local area and understand how the village sits within the wider context.

<b>Reading</b>	Please read with your child at least <b>three times a week</b> at home and ensure it is signed, dated and the minutes are recorded. A member of staff will be checking reading diaries on a Thursday and counting the minutes for miles!
<b>Spellings</b>	Spelling tests are every <b>Monday</b> and your child will be tested on the spelling pattern they had learnt about the previous week.
<b>Maths</b>	Maths homework will be set on a <b>Monday</b> and will be expected to have been completed by the following Monday. Maths homework will be set on 'MyMaths' and the children have their logins stuck in the front of their homework books. If your child finds the task tricky, there is a revision lesson that they can use first. Parents are encouraged to sit with their child(ren) during homework and write a comment into their Homework book if they are giving support to inform teachers.
<b>Times Tables</b>	Children will learn their tables and practise these in school at least twice a week. Each child has a Times Table Rockstars login and should be practising their tables (either on this website or in another way) three times a week at home. These logins can also be found stuck in the front of the children's homework books.
<b>Grammar</b>	Grammar homework will be sent home on a <b>Monday</b> and your child will have 2 weeks to complete this. The homework will be based on the grammar they will be learning within their literacy lessons. This should take around 40 minutes. To help with our in-class assessments, please indicate when you have helped your child. The children will have their own CGP homework books and will be set specific pages to do each fortnight. Parents will be able to see which pages their child(ren) has been set by looking at the homework stickers in their homework books.

**Reminders** – Please can you make sure your child brings in a water bottle each day, ensure all jumpers are labelled and bring a coat. Willow class have PE on a Monday afternoon with Mr Dolton, but please make sure they have a full kit in school every day.

Many thanks for your continued support,

Miss Roberts

### Useful Websites:

[www.purplemash.org.uk](http://www.purplemash.org.uk)

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/z826n39>

<https://www.ashdownforest.org/discover/centre.php>

### Questions you could ask your child about their learning this term?

What is the difference between a physical and human feature?

How has Hartfield / the Ashdown Forest changed over the past 100 years?

What are the different states of matter?

Why do Christians give gifts at Christmas?

