

Goshawk Class Spring 2022 Second Half Term

Welcome back Goshawks! We hope you had a fantastic break and that you are looking forward to this half term. Over the next 6 weeks, we will be learning all about fascinating fairgrounds and undertaking a Design and Technology project, where we will be making our own rotating fairground rides. We are really looking forward to our visit to Paultons Park where we will learn about forces and experience them on the rides. Please can I remind all parents to continue signing the children's reading journals whenever they read at home, I monitor closely those children that are reading and how often. As ever your involvement in your child's education is very much appreciated.



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English

In English this half term we will be writing a narrative focussing on settings. We will be doing lots of work around how figurative language techniques can be used to enhance the description in our writing, as well as thinking about to use emotive language to add tension and suspense in our stories. We will be learning about how to use cohesive devices to ensure that our writing flows, and we will be recapping the use of dialogue in stories and thinking about the effect it has on the audience.

Maths

In maths this half term we will be focussing on:

- Recapping our work on fractions from last half term
- Understanding and working decimals up to thousandths, including ordering, comparing and rounding them
- Making links between fractions and decimals
- Encountering percentages for the first time and understanding how these link to fractions and decimals
- Adding and subtracting decimals.

In order to keep their mental skills sharp, please could you ensure your child regularly practices their 'Minute a Day Games'. Your child uses Times Tables Rockstars in school which can also be used at home to embed their multiplication knowledge (login details are in their homework books).

Science

Our work in science this term will focus on forces; how they affect the way objects move; how we can make heavier loads easier to lift and move. There are some great fun videos and interactive activities available on the BBC Bitesize website:



PE

In PE this half term we will be looking at OAA (Outdoor Adventurous Activities). We will also be continuing with our swimming on a Friday afternoon. Please could you ensure your child has their full P.E kit in on a Tuesday with appropriate trainers, as we will be outside for our P.E lessons this half term. If your child wears earrings, please ensure they can either take them out or have their own 'micropore' tape to cover them up. Long hair should also be tied up. Thank you.

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