



Year 4

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Summer Term 6 2010

What will my child be learning this term?

Hill Mead Primary School

Reminders

📖 PE

Red is on Thursday
Blue is on Friday

Please ensure that your child has the correct PE kit.

📖 Punctuality is still an issue for Year 4 children. Too many children are arriving after 9:00am and missing vital parts of their learning. If your children come to school alone please make sure that they come straight to school.

📖 Too many children are coming to school without their book bags. This means that you could be missing vital information and that your child is not reading at home.

Please remember to return all reply slips for trips on the designated dates. Children who bring their reply slips back on the day of the trip will not be allowed to go.

<p>The Whole Curriculum</p>	<p>Enquiry Skills</p>	<p>For the last term of Year 4, the children are going to be focussing on developing the following skills across the curriculum; evaluation skills, setting goals and working collaboratively. The children will need to think about gaps in their knowledge and understanding for Year 5, as the curriculum relies on them having all the basic skills by this year. Please help your children to learn their tables!</p>
<p>Literacy and Language</p>	<p>Ethiopian Creation Stories and stories from around the World.</p>	<p>As well as developing performance and collaborative skills through poetry, the children will be reading stories from around the world. The main author focus will be Elizabeth Laird who wrote the book 'When the world began' which contains stories from her travels. Our recent assessment of the year 4 children has highlighted that the children need to develop their sentence structure and the organisation of their writing. Some of the children will be receiving extra targeted support after school. A letter will be sent out if this applies to your child.</p>
<p>Science and Technology</p>	<p>Skeletons, Classifying animals and food technology</p>	<p>We are hoping to try some cooking this term in Year 4. For homework this week we will be asking children to write out a recipe from home. This is linked to our whole school topic of "Our World". We will also be looking at the skeleton and the adaptations of some of the animals that we saw at the zoo. Our Art theme is based around the books of one of our famous authors, Eric Carle. Both Mr Cooper and Mr Jones are huge fans of his work and are eager to share his techniques with the children</p>

Thank you

Mr Cooper, Mr Jones, Mr Corson, Mrs Banwo and Ms Watkins



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The topics for this term for Reception are listed below. We have also included a few suggestions as to how you can help your child at home.

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The school day starts at 8.50 and ends at 3.10.

📖 School uniform must include sensible black shoes (not Trainers).

📖 Please make sure that your child does not wear any jewellery.

📖 Please bring book bags on Monday and Thursday so that we can change your child's book.

📖 Reception children have PE on Monday and Wednesday. They will need their PE kit on these days and trainers on Mondays

📖 Please write your child's name on all their clothes, including hats, scarves and **gloves.**

Reception— Playground Design Project

This term the children in reception will be working with architects and designers on a special project. They will be learning about construction, design and architecture and making their own plans and models for improving the school's playground.

The nursery are also working on improving their outdoor learning environment. Your ideas and comments are also very welcome.

<p>Personal, Social and Emotional Development</p>	<p>Welcome, settling in and good behaviour</p>	<p>Welcome to the children, parents and carers who have just joined the Early Years Unit. All the adults will support your child to settle in and enjoy their learning.</p> <p>Can your child dress and undress, do up the zip or buttons of their coat and use a knife and fork? If not, please support us by practising at home.</p>
<p>Communication, Language and Literacy</p>	<p>Traditional Tales and well known authors</p>	<p>Each day, while reading with your child, talk about what happens in the story and the characters, what they like or don't like about the story.</p> <p>Help your child to read and write their own name, learn letter names and sounds.</p>
<p>Problem Solving, Reasoning and Numeracy</p>	<p>Counting and knowing number names</p> <p>Adding, knowing one more and one less</p>	<p>You can help at home by practise counting 1– 10, e.g. singing number songs, counting sweets, cups, plates. Help your child recognise numbers around them e.g. door numbers and bus numbers.</p> <p>You can help your child to practise adding numbers by adding real objects together e.g. playing adding games with your child's toys, sweets, socks etc.</p>

If you have any questions or concerns about your child, please let us know. Finally, a very happy new year from all the staff in the Early Years Unit.

Thank you

Mrs Lawrence and Miss Burke