



## Year 2 Curriculum information

Week Beginning: 18<sup>th</sup> June 2018

Dear Parents

We thoroughly enjoyed welcoming you all to our sports afternoon on Monday; what an afternoon it was! We were very proud of how well the children participated and the team spirit with which they competed. Thank you all for coming.

On Wednesday morning, Year 2 enjoyed watching 4ER's class assembly about the amazing array of activities the children undertook on the recent Year 4 residential trip to Horstead. Year 4 gave top tips for each activity accompanied by photos and video footage and also showed us how they had made their own sandwiches for lunch. Bird Family meetings considered the idea of celebrating others.

### Literacy Lessons

In our literacy lessons this week, we have focused on the difference between the two 'i' sounds 'igh' and 'i-e', which are in our spellings for the weekend. We looked at sentences using both of these words and thought about when to use them. We also looked at when to use commas in a list - a skill that we all need to remember to keep using in our independent writing. We have written a story plan ready to begin our story writing next week, based on our habitat diorama boxes, which we all thoroughly enjoyed making.

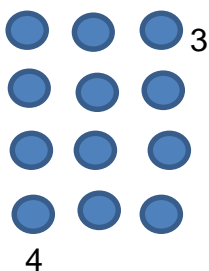
### Maths Lessons

Our focus in maths this week has been continuing to practise our times tables, focusing particularly on 3s and 4s. We have used arrays to help us work out the answers to multiplication number sentences and used these facts to learn the associated division facts. We began applying this skill to word problems.

We use arrays to solve multiplication by:

$$3 \times 4 = 12 \text{ and } 4 \times 3 = 12$$

$$\text{So } 12 \div 3 = 4 \text{ and } 12 \div 4 = 3$$



## Other Subjects

In science this week, we explored floating and sinking of different fruits. First in a group we predicted whether a fruit would sink or float and then tested our predictions using a tray of water. We thought about the skills we needed for teamwork and why certain fruits may float or sink.

In topic, we have begun thinking about our final topic of Year 2; Norfolk and its beaches. We wrote a postcard imagining that we had been to a beach and used our senses to think about things we might smell, taste, touch, see or hear.

In art and DT, we finished our habitat diorama boxes, adding the final animals and materials to our boxes. We completed our evaluations, thinking about the things we felt went well, or that we could do better if we tried again. We talked about the skills we had developed during this project, such as cutting, painting, colouring and sticking and how we would continue to develop them further.

## Over the Weekend

You may like to explore floating and sinking further with other objects around your home or garden. Next week, the children will be building a small raft to attempt to float a figure.

*If you have any small junk for modelling, please send this in with your child next week.*

## Dates for your diary:

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June:** 'The Town Close Charity Triathlon' – to sponsor your child please use the following link: <https://townclose.com/donations/>

**Please can you ensure that your child's swim bag is in school on Monday for the whole school triathlon.**

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June:** School closed – Norfolk Show day

**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June – 2pm - 3.00pm:** Year 2 Concert Dress Rehearsal in the Read Hall

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July – 8.30am - 9.30am:** Year 2 Concert in the Read Hall with coffee available in the Read Hall from 8.00am

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> July – 9.30am - 2.00pm:** Year 2 trip to Winterton Beach

With best wishes for a relaxing weekend with your children

Mrs Hayes, Mrs Lawry, Miss Shepherd and Mrs Harries

*Melanie Harries*