

Next week, our whole school ethos theme will be:

We keep trying even when it is difficult.

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back after the half-term break. The children have been buzzing with their news of what they have done during the holidays.

Homework – This weekend the children have some maths work on Money. A knowledge organiser of work being covered in Remove on money can be found on seesaw.

Reading, spellings and test corrections, please complete these using the purple polishing pens.

Timetables – Most children are learning the 9 times table in random order. Encourage speedy recall of tables previously learnt by asking questions such e.g. How many 4s in 24? How many 5s in 30? The next one we learn will be the 4 times table.

Drama Competition

This week we have listened to all the children perform their poem for the Spring Festival. Miss Beaumont and I had a very hard job to only choose six children for Mrs Taylor- Parker. I am aware that some children are disappointed but to me they are all winners. It is an amazing achievement for young children to stand up and perform a poem. Thank you for all your support with this as ever. We will wait to hear who the three are to perform at the Spring Festival.

In English we have been working on our handwriting with many children joining up letters now. This week in phonics the children have been writing their own sentences and completing some shared writing. To support our literacy work we have started to read a book in class 'Hodgeheg' by Dick King-Smith. We looked at the cover and read the blurb on the back to see if we could find out why the book is called 'Hodgeheg'.

In Maths we have continued with money, focusing on making the same amount using coins/notes, and comparing the amounts by discussing the greatest amount. We looked at money word problems and different ways to make a pound. This is quite challenging maths, and if possible providing children with practical opportunities will help.

In the Connective Curriculum we have finished learning about Captain Cook the explorer, and on Tuesday we had a science afternoon. We made plasticine boats and observed what happened with fresh and salty water. We learnt that salt water is heavier and denser so objects floated on the water.

Kind Regards



Kimberley Sibson & Kelsey Beaumont

Calendar Dates	
Monday 26 February	Assembly visitor: Dr Paul Bell (Headteacher at Horsforth High)