

# Horse Chestnut Class Newsletter

June 2018

We've certainly had an eventful summer term in Horse Chestnuts so far. We completed our maps, created our own dragons and for those in the know, we passed our Secret Agent Tests. Never a dull moment and Summer 2 proves to be no exception. We've got our next trip, a visit to Gressenhall, to look forward to as well as the journeys we will take with our topic and of course, the Year 2 Leavers play. How will we fit all this excitement into 6 weeks...well, watch this space!

**Our school topic for this half term is: Journeys – My Map**  
**Our enquiry question is: Where can a path lead?**

## English

We will be exploring poetry, plays and news reports and using these genres to consolidate our learning ready for junior school. We will also be practicing our speaking and listening skills in play rehearsal.

### English in Sycamore Class

In English we will be learning to use persuasive language. We are also going to investigate poetry. Then we are going to read a finding tale about a child who goes on a journey. We will explore the settings he visits as part of his journey.

## Maths

In Maths we will be consolidating our work on number, revisiting 2D and 3D shape, revising our money work as well as looking at fractions of amounts.

### Maths in Sycamore Class

In Maths we are beginning to learn about multiplication in the context of grouping things into twos, fives and tens to make them easier to count. We will then consider how this knowledge can help us with sharing for division.

## Learning Across the Curriculum

We will be investigating different journeys and taking a virtual trip around the United Kingdom and learning about what makes these four separate countries special. We will also be working on our map skills, and thinking about our own personal journey in the world, both past, present and future. We will also be cooking our way across the UK with four delicious recipes, making use of our brand new purpose built cookery room.

### Reminders

PE kits should be brought in on Monday for the week ahead.

Don't forget your named sun hats and water bottles.

Also keep sending your REAL reading pictures in. We are enjoying seeing how you use reading in everyday

### How to Support at Home

Thank you, as always, for your continued support of home learning.

There are two more reading raffles this half term so remember to read three times a week to earn your raffle ticket and be in with a chance to win a book.

### Class Dates

- Gressenhall on the 18<sup>th</sup> June
- HC (Y2) Class Assembly 15<sup>th</sup> June 2018
- Y2 Swimming Trip – 12<sup>th</sup> July 2018
- Y2 Leavers play on 19<sup>th</sup> July 2018

## Handwriting Examples

A few parents have asked about handwriting expectation examples for the end of the year.

y2

Once upon a time there lived a pirate captain called red beard. red beard loved being rewarded but not this time. Captain red beard and his crew heard of a place where you get rewarded. So the

I woke up and then I popped out of my hole and I climbed up a tree then I smelled a beautiful fruit plant.

y1

And I waited for a while, even though my legs were getting tired soon my daddy came home.

inside the house there's  
A dark, dark room

claw  
mark

