

*Enabling children to be the best that they can be!*

# HORWOOD AND NEWTON TRACEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

## CLASS INFORMATION AUTUMN 2022 - CLASS 4



**Staff:** Miss Wooddisse (class teacher Mon to Thu lunchtime), Mrs Carter (Thur PM and Fridays), Ms Clark and Mrs Manning (support staff)

Our class topic this term is **The Victorians**. Our class story book is **Wonder**.

Our **Writing** will include historical fiction and newspaper writing and in poetry Kennings and Haikus. **Spellings** will be taught daily during the school day and the children can practise them at home through Purple Mash. **Reading** will take place daily in class with group reading sessions weekly once term is underway. Children will have a book level identified by **Accelerated Reader** and will book quiz their books as they finish them.

Our **Maths** will follow the "White Rose Maths" scheme of work with daily arithmetic teaching and units including fractions, decimals, percentages, shape and space, measures, data handling and geometry. Class 4 children have an online **Mathletics** login in addition to their **RM Easi Maths** online account so that they can do additional practice if they wish.

In **Science** the children will be learning about Forces. The **History** unit will study the Victorians with a focus on the changing power of Monarchs. Storyteller Steve Manning will also bring the Victorians topic alive with his engaging and interactive storytelling. The **Geography** unit will focus on, "Who are Britain's Nationals park for?" with a field trip to Exmoor on 23rd September. **Art** work will study Banksy and graffiti art and clay sculpture with a continued development of skills in drawing and painting skills. In **DT** the children will focus on making Christmas themed food.

Our **PHSEE** (personal, social, health and economic education) will follow the area of "Living in the wider world" with subjects covered each week being reported in the whole school newsletter. In **RE** the children will consider, "What does it mean to be a Muslim in Britain today" and "Was Jesus the Messiah?".

The children will also be having weekly **Spanish** and **Music** lessons where they will learn how to play Djembe drums. In **Computing**, using our Purple Mash curriculum, the children will learn about online safety and coding. **PE** will take place on the Village field and include learning Tag rugby and basketball on the playground. The Year 6s will have swimming on **Thursdays after half term** and Year 5s will have Forest School at this time.

**After school clubs** this half term will be Parkour or multi-skills run by Romar Sports on Tuesdays 3.30—4.30 pm. After half term more clubs will be available and details sent out by email.

Class 4 will have a residential at **Great Potheridge House** from 12—14th September.

**What the children need every day:** A coat, a backpack, packed lunch (if they have one), water bottle and reading book. **To come in their PE kits on: Tuesdays and Wednesdays** (first half term). The 2nd half term, Y5 will have Forest School and Year 6 will have swimming (Thursdays).

If you need to speak with Miss Wooddisse please ring the school office or email her: [ewooddisse@hntps.org](mailto:ewooddisse@hntps.org) or Mrs Carter: [scarter@hntps.org](mailto:scarter@hntps.org)

**Homework** will be given out every Thursday (generally set on Purple Mash or Google Classroom).



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**Positive Learning Behaviours based on animals are central to our school's ethos for learning and the school's values for behaviour. These will be referred to specifically in lessons and pupils will be rewarded for demonstrating these positive behaviours. They are as follows:**

good listening - a bat  
being resilient - an ant  
taking risks - a meerkat  
being independent - a tiger  
being creative - a unicorn  
being ready to learn - an elephant

working as a team - a bee  
making links - spider  
being curious - a cat  
having empathy - a monkey  
being wise - an owl



## **OUR SCHOOL GOLDEN RULES**

We look after each other.

We are kind.

We behave well so that teachers can teach and children can learn.

We look after our things.

We never give up!