



## Year 2 Honeybees Newsletter – Spring 2

### **Welcome**

Welcome back, we hope you had a good break! We are now in our final half term with only 7 weeks left until summer. We have some fun learning ahead of us this term.

### **Phonics and Reading**

Children will be reassessed in the coming weeks so may start to bring home more difficult books. Please try to find time to read with them at least 3 times a week. In class, we will be working on comprehension of texts focusing on key skills needed for reading.

**Phonics**

Please ensure children have their book bags in school every day so that we can easily check and change books.



Recommended reads: [Books for Year 2 children aged 6-7 | School Reading List](#)

### **Writing**

This term our writing will be linked to two books.

The first is called 'The Dark' by Lemony Snicket. Children will be learning how to use subordinating conjunctions in their sentences, adding adjectives to describe and how to use tense correctly. They will be using these skills to write their own stories and poems.

The second book we will be looking at is 'Prince Cinders' by Babette Cole. Children will be using their reading skills to make inferences about characters, explore vocabulary and understand what proper nouns are. They will then be retelling their own version of the story.



### **Maths**

This term's learning will include statistics and position and direction.

Statistics: Children will be learning to interpret and construct simple pictograms, tally charts, block diagrams and tables. They will ask and answer simple questions by counting objects and sorting the categories by quantity. They will also be learning to compare categorical data.

Position and Direction: Children will be learning to order and arrange combinations of mathematical objects in patterns and sequences. They will use mathematical vocabulary to describe position, direction and movement, including rotational turns in terms of right angles for quarter, half and three-quarter turns (clockwise and anti-clockwise).



**Free parent workbooks for these units can be found here:**



[Parent resources](#) | [Maths workbooks](#) | [White Rose Maths](#)

**Science**

In science, we will be learning about plants. Children will learn why plants disperse their seeds and the various clever ways in which they do this. Plant cress seeds and grow a bean using hydroponics – watch and record what happens to them. Using various art and design techniques, make and model your own seeds and finally enjoy the fruits of your labours!



**Computing**

In computing this term children will be using Purple Mash to learn how to use spreadsheets. They will be exploring the basic functions including how to create tables, copy and paste information and add up amounts.



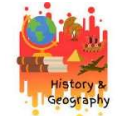
**DT**

Children will be learning to design and create a moving fairground wheel. They will then test and evaluate their design and suggest how they can improve their design.



**Geography**

Children will be able to locate and name the oceans and seas surrounding the UK. They will be able to explain what the coast is and its physical and human features. They will also present findings on how people use the coast.



**PE**

Fitness: Children will learning how to improve their fitness, stamina, agility, balance and coordination through a range of different activities including running, skipping and jumping. They will also set up a full-body fitness circuit.  
Fielding and striking: Children will be able to track a ball and collect it. They will develop their accuracy of underarm and overarm throwing and when it is best to use either method of throwing. They will also be improving their batting and decision making skills in games.



**PSHE**

In PSHE this term the children will explore fire safety. Children will identify potential dangers that could cause a fire or serious incident. Throughout the topics, students will be able to follow fire safety rules and practise simple ways of staying safe and finding help.



**RE**

In RE the children will continue to explore the idea of celebration and finding out about the customs and rituals associated with the Hindu celebration of Raksha Bandhan.



**Homework Project**

- Spelling frame: each week the children will have new spellings to practise and test themselves on.
- Tackling tables: Children can use the website to practise their 2,5 and 10x tables.





# CORBYPRIARY ACADEMY



## Skills Builder

The Skills Builder Universal Framework provides a common language for building essential skills with children and young people.

Research shows that building essential skills supports social and emotional wellbeing, learning and academic outcomes and careers and opportunities



## Rewards

The children will receive 'Dojo Points' as reward for good behaviour, work and attitude.



## Class information

**Class Teacher:** Miss Michaela Patterson

**Supported by:** Mrs Sharon Crysell

Please remember to name your child's school jumper or cardigan.

We request that all children bring a named water bottle to school every day and when the weather is warmer a sun hat and sun cream.

Please remember if you are making your child a packed lunch, we ask you not to put anything in that contains nuts.

## Dates for the diary!



Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 swimming starts – every Wednesday until the end of the year
5 <sup>th</sup> – 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Y4 Multiplication Check
12 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Y1 / Y2 National Phonics Check
Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 Parents drop-in 2.30pm
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> June	Reception Cake Sale
Tues 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Sports Day 9.30am
Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Years 3, 4, 5, 6 Sports Day 9.30am
Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Whitemoor Lakes Residential
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Secondary School Transition Day
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Reports home to parents
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Fete
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Corby's Got Talent!
Dates TBC (July)	Year 6 Production



# CORBY PRIMARY ACADEMY

Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup> July	End of Term Achievement Assembly 9am
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers Celebration
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> July	End of Term