



# HORRINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

## Discovery Class Curriculum Newsletter

I hope you have had a fantastic half term and I would like to welcome you to the second half of the Autumn term. Our enquiry topic for this half term is, 'How can we tell a story using only light and shadow?' This is heavily linked to our science work on light and DT project on designing and making a shadow puppet and theatre. Below, is an outline of our learning for this term and about our classroom procedures.

For more information about the learning we will be doing in Discovery Class this term please have a look at our Medium Term plan which is saved on the website.

If you have any resources related to these themes we would be delighted for your children to take a photo of these and pop them onto the stream on Google Classroom so that we can share these in school.

Every Friday at 9am, the children are set spellings to practise, a grammar activity and a maths activity linked to their classroom learning via Google Classroom. The homework is then due the following Friday. We also require children to practise their times tables at home and there are lots of fun games to play and songs to help them learn them by heart. Every week, the children will have a spelling test based on the spellings they have been learning for their homework over the week. As a suggested guideline homework should take 20-30 minutes to complete. If children are unsure of the task we are happy for them to come and discuss their homework with us during the week or you can let us know about any issues on Google Classroom.

The children will also have access to an online reading journal, which must be used to record their reading out of school. I am aware that some of you are finding this document hard to edit and upload so I would ask that you use a method of recording that works for you even if that means writing it down on a piece of paper, taking a photo and uploading it at the end of each week. We would ask that you listen to your child read and discuss their reading with them at least three times a week but any more would be fantastic. During the week children can earn dojo points and stickers for positive behaviour and attitude.

For PE, children are required to wear their PE kits into school and home again on the day that they have PE, which will be Thursday afternoons with Mr Lowman. There is no need for their school uniforms to be brought to school.

If you have any queries please feel free to arrange a time to discuss these with us.

We are looking forward to a fantastic term!

Yours sincerely,

Jenny Halliwell