

Hazel Class News February 2025

Welcome back after the half term break - we hope you had a lovely week!



Reading

Lots more children are doing regular reading which is fantastic. Keep this up - reading is so key to so many areas of the curriculum, and there are clear links between the children who read regularly at home and for pleasure and the children who do

well across their learning. Please note that for their homework children are expected to read at least 4 times a week.

Remember that your child can read a home reading book as well as their set "reading book" and that they can borrow books from our class and school libraries as well.

Times tables

Please support your child in practising their times tables. For their maths homework, they should be doing 10-15mins each week on TTRS (on any of the games - with the timer on or off as they prefer). Just a reminder that as a guide, Year three children should by this point in the year be comfortable counting in 2s, 5s, 10s, 3s, 4s and getting to grips with their 8s. Year four children should be happy counting in and answering questions from all the times tables up to 12s. The year four children will have a national times tables test in May, so it's really key that they're practising regularly. We're currently learning different multiplication and division strategies in maths and moving on to fractions and decimals, and it is really noticeable how much more difficult these are without times tables facts and knowledge. Please support your child by playing games, counting in different amounts (eg in 4s, 3s, 8s), getting them to play TTRS or some of the many other times tables games that are available online.

MULTIPLICATION TABLE												
x	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
2	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20		
3	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30		
4	4	8	12	16	20	24	28	32	36	40		
5	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50		
6	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60		
7	7	14	21	28	35	42	49	56	63	70		
8	8	16	24	32	40	48	56	64	72	80		
9	9	18	27	36	45	54	63	72	81	90		
10	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100		



Christian Value

Our Christian value this half term is Trust. We'll be considering what trust means, who the children trust, what it means to trust God, how Jesus taught his followers to behave in a trustworthy way.

Topic

This half term our topic is Rainforests. We'll be learning about what makes a forest a "rainforest", where they are in the world, what the plant and animal life is like in the rainforests, and thinking in more detail about a couple of specific rainforests.

As always, if you have any questions at any point, please do just ask.

Miss Franks, Mrs Barrett, Miss Brown and Mrs Makin

