

# Class 2 - Newsletter

## Spring Term 2016

### HAPPY NEW YEAR!

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Clare Havers and I am looking forward to teaching Class 2 at East Hanningfield C of E Primary School.

I have been teaching for 13 years, across the Key Stages and age ranges. I am passionate about teaching and learning and I am keen to support your child in their learning journey

Outside of school I enjoy being active - I play netball for a local team. I am often out walking and love the outdoors.

### Homework

Daily reading (please record in children's reading diaries when you listen to them read.

Weekly spellings which will be randomly assessed at the end of the half term

Understanding of number - this will be through learning number bonds to 10, 20 and 100, addition and subtraction facts and multiplication facts

Project homework will also be set across a half term and will be linked to our topic work on toys.

### PE

Our PE day is Thursday

Please make sure PE kits are in school all the time and they are labelled clearly with your child's name. As the weather is due to get colder a tracksuit may be required for activities outside.

This term we will focus on movement and dance and playground games linked to our topic of toys.

### Show and Tell

Show and Tell will take place on Friday afternoons after Golden Time.

Children may bring things in to share with the class on this day only.

If there are lots of children wishing to share things, names will be drawn out of a hat for that week, as it may not be possible to fit everyone in.

### This half term our topics are:

**Toys** - Within this topic we will explore toys from around the world, toys from the past and what toys might be like in the future.

**Plants** - Within our science topic we will be learning about what plants need to grow and survive, the different parts of a plant and plants that grow around our school.

In **English**, we are learning about cineliteracy - literacy through film. In connection with our topic we will focus on the film Toy Story.

In **Maths**, we are practising our number skills, adding and subtracting larger numbers, using our skills of multiplication and division, investigating 2d and 3d shapes and learning about simple fractions.

In **PSHE** we will discuss what makes a good friend and why it is important to be a good friend.

In **Art**, we will explore the art of pop art through the artist Andy Warhol and Roy Lichtenstein.

In **Computing** we will use laptops to research areas of our topic work, particularly exploring online sources to find out about Toys from the past and around the world. We will use ICT to produce a report with digital imagery and text about toys.

### A few reminders ...

Please try to bring your child to school at 8:50 am as this gives them time to settle into school before the day begins.

We ask that all your child's clothes are marked with their name, as you can appreciate the children are not always able to recognise their own uniform, especially when they are all so similar!

I am really looking forward to working with you and your children. If you do have any questions please do not hesitate to ask.

Many thanks

Miss Clare Havers