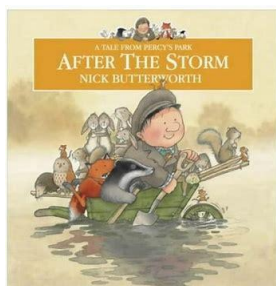


Welcome back to the final half term of the school year! We hope you had a restful break and enjoyed some quality time together. This half term promises to be a busy and exciting one, packed with learning, events, and celebrations. Thank you for all your patience and support throughout the year so far. Any questions, please don't hesitate to ask on the door or you can email myself during school hours [s.vella@harris.lancs.sch.uk](mailto:s.vella@harris.lancs.sch.uk)

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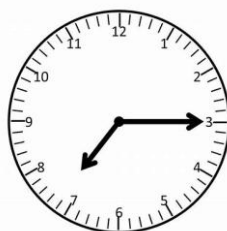
## English



This half - term in English, we have been diving into the wonderful world of Percy the Park Keeper by **Nick Butterworth**. We will be using the story to create our own story maps and even changing some of

the details of the story to make it our own. During this half – term we will also be looking some non - fiction writing on instructions and how we can write a set of instructions for someone to follow.

## Maths



be looking into lots of maths reasoning questions and problems as well as arithmetic in our continuous provision.

This half term in maths, we will be diving into telling the time, multiplication and division, measuring and using different measurements, sorting and sequencing numbers and objects. We will also

## Phonics/Reading

As we are progressing through the 5 phonics phases we are trying to match up your child with a reading book they should be comfortable with. If you child isn't reading at home they will start to struggle with the level of their reading books. Please read as often as possible at home with your child and make a brief comment in their reading record. Your child will come home with 2 home reading books on their selected book changing day. We recommend the following:

- One night your child reads one book to decode and apply their phonic knowledge to read any new, unfamiliar words. Parents can read parts of the book too to help.
- The next night, re-read the same book. Your child should be able to read this more confidently and develop a better understanding of the book.
- Repeat with your child's second book.

Each child has been allocated a day which their books will be changed. Feel free to ask us when their day is. Please ensure their reading books are in school every day. **READING IS THE MOST IMPORTANT!**

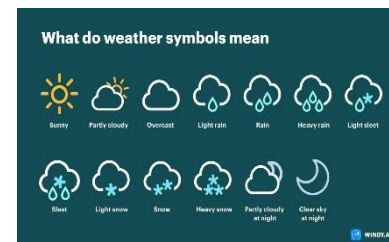
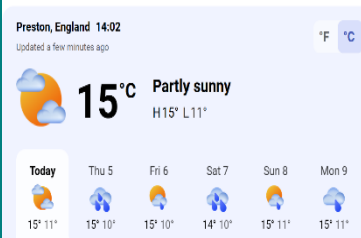
## ART

In Art this half – term we will be looking at an artist called Andy Warhol. We will be learning about the type of he created and the different techniques he used to create his art. We will then have a go at recreating some of the art work ourselves using different mediums.



## Geography

In Geography this half term we will be observing the weather each day and discussing what we think the weather will be like for Summer. We will be looking at all the different weather symbols and when we might expect to experience these weathers. The children will then be creating their own weather reports and getting the chance to be a reporter and present their findings to other children around school.



## Computing

In computing we will be looking into sound, we will be using the video creator app to record our weather reports.



## PE

Mr Ridge will be teaching PE every Wednesday afternoon this term. The children will be practicing their kicking skills and orienteering and the outdoors. If this ever changes, you will be notified on School Spider or Google Classroom.

## RE

This term we will be looking at Islam.

How might beliefs about creation affect the way people treat the world?

## Science



Science this half term we are looking at the unit What's the Weather Like? Throughout this unit we will be talking about the weather we have eachday and what kind of weather we have during the Summer Season. We will get lots of opportunity to take our learning outdoors and enjoy the Summer.



## French

We will us the Language Angels programme to teach the boys and girls different Greetings in French.

## Reminders

**Sports Day** – Our sports day will be on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June and it will commence at 9:15am and will be due to finish at 11:00am. Please could you make sure your child brings in a HAT and a WATER BOTTLE as it can get extremely hot out on the field. You are more than welcome to come and join us to help cheer the children on.

**Transition Day** – This will be on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July. All the children will go into Year 2. A message will be sent out at a later date to confirm all the details.

**Harris Fest** – Is on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July. The event will be afterschool and will start at 3:30pm. Our children will be doing a performance and there are lots of fun things to take part in on the day. The event will end at 6pm we hope to see you all there.

**Last Day of School** – Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July. School will close at 1:30pm.

**Reading** – As a whole school we are monitoring the amount children are reading at home. The new reading record should be filled in and signed every time you read which ideally is every day. The new format of the reading record does make it more apparent to those who don't read at home as much as they should or even at all. Let's try to have a big push on reading at home even if it just a couple of pages. Data on the amount of children reading is being monitored weekly.

**Google Classroom**- We have now managed to create all the Google classroom accounts and passwords and these can be found in your child's reading record. You should only need to log in once on the device. Here is where you can message the teacher and find all Year 1 homework, messages, support materials, newsletters etc. The Year 1 class code is [ak5fzfg](#)

**Homework**- Homework is set each half term. There will be a range of activities linked to what we are learning in class. Green challenges are quick and the easiest and dark red are longer projects that may take some time. You can photograph all tasks when they have been completed and 'turn it in' to evidence that the task has been complete. It is not expected that all tasks are completed but that you have a selection of tasks that suits your child and your home-life.

**Spellings** – The children will be given a set of spellings at the beginning of half term. They will need to be practicing them regularly at home and during school. They will be given a homework book in their book bags to practice in. We will then collect the spelling books at the end of half term to review learning at home and set new spellings for the following half term.

**Book Bags/Reading Packs** – The children will need their book bags and reading packs in school every day. Please ensure their bag is clearly named and avoid attaching large keyrings because they struggle to fit them into their trays.

**Names** – Please remember to write/stick your child's name on all their belongings, including water bottles (and for some children, socks!).

**PE** – Mr Ridge will teach the children PE on a Wednesday afternoon. Your child should come to school wearing the new PE Kit- plain white t-shirt, navy shorts/joggers and navy zipped jacket.

**Coats & Outdoor Learning** – We like to go outside, whatever the weather. Please ensure your child has a suitable coat in school every day.

**Book Vote**- We love reading at Harris Primary School. Every day the children have the opportunity to use their named peg to vote for a book to enjoy at the end of each day.

**Fruit and Milk**- Please check with your child if they would like to have milk. One or two children are insisting they no longer want it and some would like it but they're not on our current milk list. Please speak to the office staff if your child would like milk or if you would like to cancel it.

**School lunches**- We do an amazing job on the whole when it comes to booking the children's lunches. Please keep it up as it means we don't get shouted at by the cook 😊