



# Hellingly Community Primary School

## Meteors Class

### Term 5 Newsletter

#### How does our use of plastics affect the environment?

Our Enquiry this term is about plastic pollution. We will learn about the use of plastic, the impact on the environment, alternatives and how we can reduce, reuse and recycle effectively.

As we build our knowledge and understanding, we will become aware of a 'bigger picture' and see how small actions, such as using a plastic drinking straw, can have far reaching consequences. With a growing awareness of the part we can play in creating a better future for our oceans, we will take a step on the journey to becoming global citizens and sustainability champions of the future!

On the right is a word mat of vocabulary we will use during this topic.



#### KEY VOCABULARY

plastics	pollution	actions	damage
environment	environmental issues	views	Trash Island
Oceans	waste	recycling	reuse
versatile	wildlife	plastic bags	plastic straws
chemicals	toxic impact	landfill	ecosystem
microplastics	food chain	sea creatures	marine
scientists	North Pacific	Ocean currents	nylon
ghost nets	plastic debris	Atlantic	packaging
supermarkets	plastic free	single-use plastic	micro-beads
sewerage system	polyethylene	cosmetics	

#### Maths

We will be continuing to use the White Rose Maths scheme to support your child's Maths learning. In term 5 we will cover:

- Number: Decimals
- Measurement- money and time

Please support your child at home by practising times tables and number fluency using Times Table Rockstars.

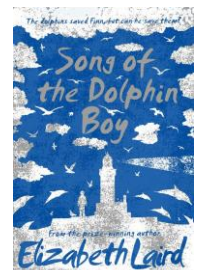
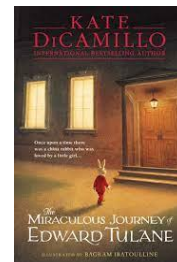
#### Reading

##### Power of Reading

Our core text for the term is 'The Song of the Dolphin Boy

##### Read aloud book

The Miraculous Journey of Edward Tulane



Helpful websites:  
<https://mathsbot.com/>  
[www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize](http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize)  
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk>

Independent reading and reading at home  
Independent reading books will be chosen in school. Your child will bring that book and their reading records in and out of school daily. Please record your daily reading in the reading records.

### Spellings

### Important Dates

Your child will receive weekly spellings taken from the Hellingly spelling overview. We will look at the spelling patterns and exceptions during lessons. These will be on the school website on a **Monday** and children will be tested the following **Monday**.

#### Term 5 dates

**Monday 15th April** - INSET day  
**Tuesday 16th April** - First day of term 5  
**Monday 6th May** - Bank Holiday  
**Tuesday 13th - Friday 17th May** - Year 6 SAT examinations  
**Friday 17th May** - Race for Life  
**Friday 24th May** - End of term 5

### Don't forget!

### Special Events, News, Activities

During **Term 5** our class PE days are Wednesdays and Fridays.  
Keep checking our class page on the website for important news and information. Each week, spellings will be posted on the class webpage. We will also add the children's enquiry homework projects to share with you.

Please like our page Hellingly Community Primary School to keep updated. You can also find the link to this page on our school website



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