



Frodsham Primary Academy



Newsletter 17

12th January 2024

Welcome to this week's newsletter.

So much has happened across school this week, with so many positive stories to share.

Thank you to the parents who came along to our curriculum information sessions this week. We had 1 parent attend for Reception/ Year 1, 3 parents for year 2/3/4 and 4 parents for year 5/6. We decided to run these sessions as parent feedback on our surveys indicate that parents did not feel informed about their child's learning. If you would like us to present information in any different way, please do let me know. It was great to welcome Mr Hill and Mr Duffell into school this week who are the Headteacher and Deputy head at Helsby High School. They enjoyed finding out about our Y5/6 curriculum as part of the curriculum session.

Our resource provision children went on a trip to watch the pantomime 'Little Red' and all had a fantastic time! Thank you to all the parents who helped us out on the day to transport children, the trip couldn't go ahead without your support.

Our Y3 and Y4 children had their first swimming session this week. Staff and instructors were very impressed with the children's behaviour and listening skills throughout the session, meaning a good session was had by all. The children are really eager to get back into the pool again next week.

Reception children had their very first forest school session this week with Miss Pemberton and Miss Hindle. Children came back mucky, muddy but with the biggest of smiles! They had a wonderful session in our woodland. These sessions will continue for the rest of this half term.

Our nursery, reception, year 1,2,5 and resource provision started their extra curricula cricket sessions this week with our cricket coach. These take place throughout the school day with a lunch time club available for all year groups to access.

Last but not least, our Y5 and Y6 girls took part in a netball competition as part of the Frodsham Primary cluster this week. The girls represented the school well and were proud of their achievements, as were we!

Thank you to those who have completed the survey monkey questionnaire for a football camp in half term. We currently only have 15 children who say they would take part. In order for the club to be viable there would need to be at least 20 children. If you could complete ASAP if you would like your child to attend as I will need to confirm the booking.

Have a great weekend,

Mrs Callaghan

CLICKVIEW

With money raised from the last Bingo night we have purchased the online app ClickView.

ClickView has a bank of educational videos, TV documentaries, Newsround and also allows continued access to the Disney Chanel. Children can explore ClickView independently as all clips on there will be age appropriate and are curated to only allow children to watch things within their age limit. Videos link to all areas of the National Curriculum but also allows children time to watch things of interest to them personally. Videos such as Beauty and the Beast, Nemo and Home Alone are all available on ClickView. Educationally, children can also consolidate their learning on adjectives, verbs, nouns and mathematical concepts. Children can watch clips about their favourite history topic or learn about the wider world though geography linked clips. If there is something you find your child struggles with at home, type into the search bar and try and find a linked video for children to watch. Many of the clips are interactive with questions for the children to answer as they go through.

As of next week, teachers will begin setting homework on ClickView. This will comprise of videos to watch linked to class-based learning and children will be asked to answer questions during and at the end of each clip that they watch. Teachers will be able to check in school who has watched the video, the answers children gave and how long it has taken them to complete.

Children should all have come home with their log in details so that they can access this from home. We hope you enjoy!

If you have any problems accessing from home, please call into school and a teacher will demonstrate how to set it up.

▶ ClickView Parent Info Guide



How can ClickView support your child's learning?

ClickView provides teachers and students access to thousands of interactive videos and related resources to support learning and teaching. All ClickView produced content is developed with subject experts, ensuring it's age appropriate and aligned to the Australian Curriculum.



High-quality resources for learning

ClickView provides a library of video content explicitly aligned to the curriculum. Students and teachers can confidently access high-quality video resources that have been purpose-made in Melbourne, or educationally curated from a selection of pay-TV or free-to-air programs.



Engaging and interactive

Teachers can find, edit and share relevant educational videos with students, including interactive learning tasks, through which teachers can monitor each student's understanding. Students can upload and share their work with teachers and other students to demonstrate their learning.



Access videos anytime, anywhere

Teaching staff can share clips with students to view at home so they can use class time for quality discussions, higher-order thinking and problem-solving.



Safe and age-appropriate

ClickView resources feature Australian content classifications to help ensure students are accessing age-appropriate materials.

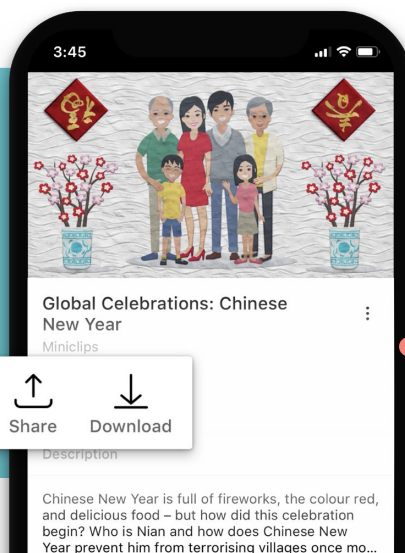
Get started with ClickView at home

1. Go to online.clickview.com.au on any browser or download the ClickView app.



2. Sign in using your child's school login details.

3. Browse over thousands of educational videos.



Stars of the week

R: Kacper
Y1: Kasey
Y2: Ayden
Y3: Lucious
Y4: Toby
Y5: Kai
Y6: Mica

Dojo Champions

Reception: Heidi
Year 1: Mojearaoluwa
Year 2: Ayden
Year 3: Charlie
Year 4: Finley
Year 5: Malakai
Year 6: Alex
RP: Eva



Poppy (11)

★ HAPPY ★
BIRTHDAY!

Learning this week...

Snowy Owls have had another busy week. Reception enjoyed their first forest school session at the start of the week, learning all about the safety rules and investigating the forest school area. Year 1 enjoyed logging into Rollama for the first time this week too! In English this week we have been investigating our new class book and been writing character descriptions about the main character. In Maths this week Reception have been working systematically to find all the possible ways to make 5. Some children even managed to write their own calculation sentences too! Year 1 have been working on different subtraction methods this week. We started our new science topic on materials this week, talking about the difference between objects and materials and how many different materials they could spot in our classroom. Well done Snowy Owls, keep up the great work!

Miss Sands

This week we were very excited to start our swimming lessons! The children showed excellent listening skills and were very polite to all adults. They all showed perseverance and most tried to put their faces under the water. Well done all. In English this week we have started to look at the example of a descriptive memory, and wrote some ideas in sentences for Jacques Cousteau. In Maths, Year 2's have started to understand their 2 x tables and how they are related to groups of 2, Year 3 have focused on their 4, 8 and 3 times tables, and Year 4 on their 7's, 9's and 11's. We have started our Art unit, looking at 'gargoyles and grotesques', finding out about what they are for and where to find them, then having a go at drawing our own designs ready to make clay grotesque faces next week. In RE we have learnt about the Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) and why he is important to Muslims. Our Science lesson this week has been a recap on Natural and Manufactured materials. Can you find these around your house and explain why they are natural / manufactured?

Miss Curtis

Desert Owls have had a productive week this week and have got stuck into their learning. The children have been fully immersed into their new text 'A story like the Wind' and they have started to analyse the different features of the text. The children wrote lovely setting descriptions as if they were on a lone boat in the middle of the sea. In maths, we have started our fraction unit and we are currently recapping our prior learning on equivalent fractions in Year 5 while 6 have been focusing on simplifying fractions. The children have been introduced to ClickView and we have started to use this in some lessons. The children were all really excited to get their logins and some children have already been accessing tasks at home. In geography, we have started our new unit of work based on Central America. The children have all identified where Central America is

and learnt a little about the wildlife there. As we look further into Central America, we will learn more about the global trade.

A big thank you to those who attended the curriculum event on Wednesday. It was great to share what we will be learning during Spring term and what boosters are in place for our Year 6 pupils. It was also a great opportunity for parents to speak to the head teacher and deputy head teacher from Helsby and ask questions.

Mrs Price

This week, Tawny owls have continued with their book 'Juniper Jupiter' and have been introduced to the side story 'Joop and Nut' which is a re-write of the original story. Children have had to work hard to remember the story and be able to sequence it this week, as well as learn about the different characters and their strengths. They have also continued with multiplication and division this week, with each year group working on different objectives, but everyone focusing on learning their timetables through the use of Timetable Rockstar's! They have begun their science topic of materials and learnt all about natural and manufactured materials this week, as well as having the opportunity to explore different materials with magnifying glasses. Children begun their extra curriculum cricket sessions this week with a focus on different skills such as throwing, catching and batting. The most exciting thing about this week was their trip to watch 'little red' all children loved this show, as well as the little treats they had with it!

Miss Pemberton

Diary of events for Autumn Term

Wednesday 3 rd January	Start back to school
Monday 8 th January	Forest school starts for Reception
Monday 8 th January 2.30pm	Reception and Y1 curriculum information session for parents
Tuesday 9 th January 2.30pm	Year 2,3,4 curriculum information session for parents
Wednesday 10 th January 2.30pm	Year 5 and Year 6 curriculum information session for parents. Helsby High Head teacher will be attending this session too.
Tuesday 11 th January	Swimming sessions begin for Year3 and Year 4
Tuesday 23 rd January 3.30pm	SATS information session for Y6 parents
Wednesday 24 th January	Tree planting event for Y2/Y3/Y4
Thursday 8 th February	Book look for all classes 3.30-4.00pm
Friday 9 th February	School closes for half term at 3.20pm
Monday 19 th February	Children return to school

Please take a note of term dates
These are also on the school website



Frodsham Primary Academy
School Term Dates 2023-2024



Autumn Term 2023

OPEN	CLOSE	OPEN	CLOSE
Wednesday 6 th September	Friday 20 th October	Monday 6 th November	Wednesday 20 th December
33 days		33 days	

Spring Term 2024

OPEN	CLOSE	OPEN	CLOSE
Wednesday 3 rd January	Friday 9 th February	Monday 19 th February	Thursday 28 th March
28 days		29 days	

Summer term 2024

OPEN	CLOSE	OPEN	CLOSE
Monday 8 th April	Friday 24 th May May	Monday 3 rd June	Thursday 18 th July
34 days		33 days	

TEACHER TRAINING DAYS: SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS

Monday 4th September 2023 Tuesday

5th September 2023

Tuesday 28th June 2024

Friday 19th July 2024

Monday 22nd July 2024