



# Hercules Spring Newsletter

Happy New Year!

It has been lovely having the children back refreshed and ready for another busy term.

In class and around school, we are continuing to focus on the 'Three Bs' – Be Ready, Be Respectful and Be Safe. We will be thinking about what this means in our 'Learning to Learn' lessons.

Please help your child to remember to bring their **reading record** and **reading book** into school. We hear children read throughout the week during our reading sessions but also try to hear them read their home reading books where possible.

Please try to ensure that your child is reading **at least 3 times a week at home** so they can practise the skills they are learning in school and this will really boost their progress.

Mrs Lowther or Mrs Stewart will be on the door each morning so that I can be in class with the children to start teaching straight away, however if you do wish to speak to me, please ask and I will try to make myself available.

*Miss Unsworth*

## PSHE

This term we will be learning about Safety and the changing body. **In this unit, we will be learning that children must consider their own safety before helping others in an emergency situation and learning how to deal with unkind online behaviour and cyberbullying.** We will also continue our anti-racism lessons.

## P.E

Our P.E. lessons are on Mondays (with Miss Unsworth) and Fridays (with Mrs Jones). Please make sure your child is wearing a P.E. kit in school on those days. This is black trousers (leggings or tracksuit bottoms) white t-shirt, red hoodie or children can wear a school cardigan or jumper.

## ENGLISH

This half term, we will be reading 'The Iron Man'. We will then be using this to write our own story before moving on to non-fiction writing based around a historical theme. We will continue to focus on varying our sentences, embedding correct punctuation and including description within our writing. Our spelling lessons begin at 9:10am daily.

## MATHS

In maths, we use the Red Rose Mastery scheme for all children. Please support your child at home by speaking positively about maths, thinking about when we use maths in real life, counting forwards and backwards in steps of 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8 and 10. We will continue to learn our times tables. Children now all have access to a TT Rock Stars account and will be bringing their log in information home. Please encourage them to practice their times tables at home.

## OPAL

Children need to have wellies for outside play and must bring a coat every day because we will be playing out come rain or shine (unless it is heavy rain!).

## CLASS DOJO

Class Dojo is the easiest way to contact us and get a reply on the same day. Please contact Miss Unsworth (Monday-Thursday) or Mrs Walsh / Mrs Steart (Friday)