



This is our last Learning Letter of the Spring Term, how fast that term has flown by! The Year 2 team have all been so impressed with the determination and hard work shown this term, let's keep it up for the Summer term.

Next week:

- In **English**, we will be finishing our work on writing diaries from the perspective of Victorian nurses.
- In **Maths**, we will be finishing our unit on Mass, capacity and temperature.
- In **Science**, we are finishing our unit on 'Animals including Humans', looking at our key knowledge that we have learnt.
- In **Art**, we will be doing Easter inspired art.
- In **P.E.**, we are continuing with tennis and gym.
- In **R.E.**, we will be looking at why Christians celebrate Easter, and making our own Easter gardens.
- In **P.S.H.E.**, we finish our unit on 'healthy me'.

Spelling patterns

We have looked at the pattern /ee/ spelt 'ey'. Next week we will be looking at the /o/ sound spelt 'a'.
Spelling rule: This is the most common spelling for the short /o/ sound.

Homework: Easter Gardens

Today the children were set homework to bring in items to make an Easter garden. These will be needed for Wednesday 25th March. Thank you!

School Council Bake Sale

We would love if families could kindly donate a NUT FREE bake to our cake sale on **Tuesday 24th (LEIGH)** and **Thursday 26th (BROCKHAM)** from 3pm. Biscuits, cakes, fairy cakes whatever you fancy! The children are also running a bookstall at Brockham on Thursday, so if you have any books you would like to donate - please bring to school on the same day. Please list ingredients for vegan/dairy free bakes. This would also be a brilliant opportunity to link in our Year 2 Maths work on mass and capacity. So far we have measured in grams and kilograms, the more practise the better! If your child is a school councillor and can help run the stall after school, please let the office know.

We are currently reviewing our PSHE curriculum in line with the DfE's updated statutory guidance for **Relationships, Sex and Health Education** (published 2025, for implementation from September 2026). We use Jigsaw to teach PSHE. The programme consists of six half-term units (Puzzles): Being Me in My World, Celebrating Difference, Dreams and Goals, Healthy Me, Relationships and Changing Me. Each Puzzle contains lessons that build progressively through the school, developing children's emotional literacy, self-esteem, resilience and understanding of how to build positive, healthy relationships. The updated guidance enhances the Jigsaw programme with some adaptations: we will continue to teach Sex Education in years 5 and 6 (no longer in Y4) there is a greater focus on protected characteristics, age appropriate digital literacy and digital spending. Lower key stages also include lessons on fire and water safety. Early year's content has not changed. We are currently trialling these updated materials in Years 3 and 5 with a view to all year groups using the new content in the summer term with Relationships and Changing Me so we are ready by **September 2026**. If you have any questions/comments or would like to look at the revised teaching materials, then please contact Mrs Boyer (PSHE@northdowns.surrey.sch.uk).

CHANGES WOVEN INTO PROGRAMME

BEING ME IN MY WORLD
Refreshed content, no structural changes

DREAMS & GOALS
Some restructuring, 2 new lessons

RELATIONSHIPS
Updated digital literacy content, lesson names updated

CELEBRATING DIFFERENCE
Minor updates, enhanced protected characteristics content

HEALTHY ME
Substantial changes: 3 new safety lessons, Safety STAR framework

CHANGING ME
Significant changes: 4 new lessons, restructured puberty/sex ed content.



Have a lovely Easter break!

Miss Westwood and Ms. Gahan

