



## The next two weeks:

- In **English**, we will finish our narrative writing, using the story of 'The Tiny Crusader'.
- In **Maths**, we will begin our topic on time.
- In **Science**, we will monitor our plant growth, whilst thinking about what we need to grow a healthy plant.
- In **Topic**, we finish our topic about castles.
- In **P.E.**, final country dancing practise!
- In **R.E.**, we are exploring the question; Who is Allah and how do Muslims worship him?
- In **Music**, we are continuing using technology to make music.
- In **Art**, we will finish our worry dolls.

## Spellings

We have learnt to add the suffix '-ness'. **Spelling rule:** If the root words ends in a '-y', change the 'y' to an 'i' and add '-ness'.

Next week well will be learning to add the suffix '-full' to root words.

**Rule:** if the root word ends in 'y', change it to an 'i'.

## KIRFs

This half term's KIRF is:

**Knowing doubles and halves of numbers to 20.**

Please see the school website for more information and strategies to support your child with this.

This is our last learning letter before half term. Well done to all of the children for all their hard work this term. Only one more half term of Year 2!

## Maypole

It's Maypole time! Woodpeckers and Kingfishers will come together with the unforgettable *Farmer's Jig* on **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May at the Brockham green**. We will of course be joined by the rest of North Downs, and hopefully plenty of parents! The event will start at **1.30pm**, and Year 2 have been practising at every free moment! **Woodpeckers will need to be at Brockham for morning drop off and pick up on this date.** Please ensure your child gets picked up from school, not the green.



## Castles

Last week, the children made Motte-and-Bailey castles with all your wonderful cardboard. These castles were introduced in England and Wales by the Normans as early as the 11<sup>th</sup> century! The castles look fantastic. Thank you again for all your help in us making these!

## Curriculum day:

We had a wonderful curriculum day last week. It was so lovely to see the children dressed up and being so enthusiastic about their learning. We enjoyed a medieval banquet, played medieval games, created dragon artwork, and went on a maths quest for the Holy Grail!

## Reminders

Have a lovely half term!  
Miss Westwood and Ms. Gahan



# Jigsaw - Changing Me

This term, we are teaching and learning the final PSHE JIGSAW topic called 'Changing Me'. It covers age appropriate teaching on puberty and sex education. Please read the knowledge organisers for each year group outlining the key vocabulary relevant to each year group and gives you the opportunity to discuss at home.

There are specific lessons taught in Y5 - Y6 which you have the right to withdraw your child from which are highlighted in red below. Have a chat with your teacher if you would like to see any teaching materials beforehand.

Y5 lesson 4, conception

Y6 lesson 3 conception and birth

## Puberty and Human Reproduction in Jigsaw 3 - 11

Reception	Growing Up	How we have changed since we were babies
Year 1	My changing body	Understanding that growing and changing is natural and happens to everybody at different rates.
	Boys' and girls' bodies	Appreciating the parts of the bodies that make us different and using the correct names for them.
Year 2	The changing me	Where I am on the journey from young to old, and what changes I can be proud of?
	Boys and girls	Differences between boys and girls - how do we feel about them? Which parts of me are private?
Year 3	Outside body changes	How our bodies need to change so they can make babies when we grow up - outside changes and how we feel about them.
	Inside body changes	How our bodies need to change so they can make babies when we grow up - inside changes and how we feel about them.
	Personal hygiene	How our bodies change at puberty and keeping clean and healthy.
Year 4	Puberty and menstruation	How a girl's body changes so that she can have a baby when she's an adult - including menstruation.
	Emotions during puberty	Coping strategies to deal with physical and emotional changes during puberty
Year 5	Puberty for girls	Physical changes and feels about them - importance of looking after yourself (animations used - the Female Reproductive System)
	Puberty for boys	Developing understanding of changes for both sexes - reassurance and exploring feelings (animations used - the Male Reproductive System)
	Conception Human Reproduction	Understanding the place of sexual intercourse in a relationship and how it can lead to conception and the wonder of a new life (animations used - the Female and Male Reproductive Systems)
Year 6	Puberty	Consolidating understanding of physical and emotional during puberty.
	Babies Conception to birth Human Reproduction	How a baby develops from conception, pregnancy stages to birth and how it is born. Reflect on how personal feelings regarding development and birth of a baby.

If you have any feedback or would like to discuss further, please email Mrs Boyer, our PSHE Lead, via: [PSHE@northdowns.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:PSHE@northdowns.surrey.sch.uk)