



# Dahl Class Newsletter

Autumn 2022



**Pennyman**  
Primary Academy

**Welcome to our Autumn newsletter!**

**We want to share with you some of the fantastic things we will be getting up to in DAHL Class in the academy this term.**

## Dahl Class English

We begin the new year with a fairy tale, Hansel and Gretel. We will be recapping how to write a fairy tale and what amazing words we can use to describe the witch! After this we will be writing a recount. The second half term we will write another story and then complete a non-chronological report. We are so excited to see the children's amazing writing. We will still continue to focus on the basics, such as grammar, and presentation. We are proud of our writers and what them to do their best.

## Dahl Class Science

Our topic is Evolution and Inheritance, and we will learn all about how characteristics are inherited from our parents and how plants and animals adapt to their environment. We will explore the work of Charles Darwin and learn how he developed his theory of natural selection. Looking forward to some very exciting Science experiments!

## Dahl Class Homework

Spelling homework is given every Friday, to be completed for the following Friday, where we have a spelling test to ensure that spellings have been learned. We have high expectations on reading in our class, and want our children to have read to an adult at home **at least** 4 times a week. Please can you ensure you question your child about what they've read, it's not just a tick box to fill in – we need to know that they have understood what they've read, and have enjoyed the experience of reading to you – they're amazing little readers!

## Dahl Class Maths

We do love Maths in our class, and I'm excited to see how well the children succeed in our weekly challenges! Mental and oral maths will continue with our 5-a-day every morning, and our counting groups. Our topics in Maths this term include place value, calculations, statistics, fractions, geometry and measuring. Looking forward to seeing the children apply their knowledge each Friday with our "Using and Applying" sessions, in addition to our daily sessions of Schofield and Sims.

## Dahl Class Wider Curriculum

So much to fit into our afternoons this term! We have History, where we are learning about World War Two and the impact it had on children; Geography, where we will be finding out more about settlements; Hinduism is our topic for RE, plus there's PHSE/ART/Computing and DT to fit in too! We are going to have so much fun!

## Dahl Class Other information

PE is on every Tuesday morning. Children are expected to have their PE kit with them each week. If it's easier, please feel free to leave kits at school – but the expectation is that every child has their PE kit for every PE lesson. Library session is on a Wednesday afternoon. Please remember to return your child's library book ready to borrow another one. We look forward to working with you this term, to help your child learn to the best of their ability. As always, any questions, queries or concerns, just contact us at school.