

Newton Class Newsletter



Dear Parents / Carers,

There are so many heroes and villains in the world - who would you like to know more about? Is it someone from the past or the present? Is your hero a famous person or someone you know, like a nurse or a firefighter?

This half term, we'll meet Cruella de Vil to interrogate her about her wicked plans.



In English, we'll write fairy tales, biographies and comic strips about the heroes and heroines. By reading parts of 101 Dalmatians, we'll learn all about Cruella's character. Then, we'll learn the song Cruella de Vil, make a Cruella sock puppet, models of Dalmatian dogs and a flipbook animation of the story. Cruella won't be very impressed!

We'll learn songs about the infamous Bonnie and Clyde and write dialogue for them. When we're listening to film music, we'll consider how sounds are used to make characters appear more villainous. Using fairy tales, we'll examine the difference between right and wrong and write our own. We'll also research historical heroes using a variety of source materials and put song lyrics about our favourite heroes to familiar tunes.

At the end of the topic, we'll write comics about our everyday heroes. We'll enjoy performing our songs about heroes we will have written ourselves.

In Science, we will be studying "Healthy Animals & Humans". We will learn about eating healthily and the basic parts and functions of the digestive system in humans. We will learn about the three different types of teeth we have, and we'll create our own models out of plasticine. We will research and construct food chains for different types of animals, identifying producers, predators and prey.

Please make sure your child brings their **P.E. kit every Monday** for their Physical Education lesson and **swimming kit every Friday**.

- ✓ **Read for 20 minutes** every day and discuss the book with your child. Reading records are checked daily.
- ✓ **Times tables** - test your child on the week's times tables so they can answer quickly without counting.
- ✓ **Spellings** each week your child has about 10-15 spellings to learn for a weekly test on Monday.

Any questions about how you can help your child's learning, please feel free to catch one of us after school or make an appointment via the office.

Miss Hart and Ms Brown