

## Humshaugh First School

## Class Half

<b>Teachers:</b> Mrs Long /Miss Osborne /Mrs Rainford	<b>Class:</b> Class 2	<b>Term:</b> Autumn 1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Date:</b> 4.9.15
Hello and welcome / welcome back to Class 2, hope you had a fabulous Summer holiday and are refreshed and raring to go!! Our topic Autumn 1st is AUSTRALIA. The children will be learning about all aspects of this amazing country, people, places, cultures, art, food and much much more. If you have any books, artefacts, photos or postcards at home that we could borrow for our display, please send them in.			
<b>Homework</b> <b>Spelling</b> homework will be given out on <b>Thursdays</b> by Mrs Long to be learnt for a spelling check on the following <b>Thursday</b> . <b>Other</b> homework is given out on <b>Thursdays</b> and due in on the following <b>Tuesday</b> . <b>Reading books</b> Please ensure your child brings their <b>book bag and reading record</b> on a <b>daily</b> basis so they can change their books regularly. Children are responsible for changing their own books and recording the title and date in their reading record. Mrs Long makes a weekly check to ensure children are reading either school or home books. Team points are awarded for regular reading and recording.		<b>PE: Monday- Fundamental skills</b> <b>PE Kit</b> <b>Leggings/Tracksuit bottoms</b> <b>Sand shoes (trainers for outdoors)</b>	<b>PE: Thursday- Skipping/Dance</b> <b>PE Kit</b> <b>Leggings/Tracksuit bottoms</b> <b>Sand shoes (trainers for outdoors)</b>
<b>Literacy(Linked with Humanities)</b> <b>Narrative</b> Stories with historical setting Dreamtime stories <b>Non-fiction</b> Postcards and recounts  <b>Speaking and Listening</b> Interviews and adverts	<b>Numeracy</b> <b>Big Maths</b> -Addition, Subtraction, Multiplication and Division, Fractions and Decimals Using and Applying - Problem solving  <b>Shape, Space and Measure</b> 2-D/3-D shape Length Area and Perimeter	<b>Topics - AUSTRALIA</b> <b>Science:</b> Down Under!- Miss Osborne <b>Art and Design:</b> Bridges and Aboriginal Art-Miss Osborne <b>Music:</b> - Australian music/ Harvest and Popular songs-Mrs Long <b>Geography-</b> Australia- Landscape and location-Mrs Long <b>History-</b> Convicts and Captain Cook Mrs Long <b>ICT: Mrs Jones</b> <b>PE:</b> Fundamental skills / Dance and Skipping-Mr Collins/Mrs Long <b>RE:</b> The Church-Mrs Rainford <b>French:-</b> Personal information and family-Mrs Rainford	
<b>Help at home</b> <b>Telling the time:</b> Please encourage your child to tell the time both on <b>digital and analogue clocks</b> . Include questions such as - what time will it be in half and hour... How long is it to... Also regular practise of the Days of the week, months of the year and basic time facts such as how many minutes in an hour?	<b>Help at home</b> Number bonds to 10,20, 100 and 1000 Doubles to 20 and beyond  <b>Money (practical contexts like shopping)</b> Recognising coins and amounts Adding and totalling amounts Working out how much change	<b>Help at home</b> <b>Reading:</b> Please try to read with your child on a daily basis and ask key questions related to the text. If your child is a more confident reader please encourage them to read silently but give opportunities for discussing the text.	<b>Help at home</b> <b>x tables:</b> Please encourage your children to practise multiplication tables 1-12. These underpin many mathematical concepts. Learning the sequences by heart will assist the children in being able to answer x table questions randomly. <b>Y2:</b> 2, 5, 10 <b>Y3:</b> 3 and 4 <b>Y4:</b> 6,7,8,9,11,12
<b>Other</b> Please do not hesitate to come and see me if you have any queries or concerns. I am always in the classroom before school between Monday and Thursday. Alternatively I can make an after school appointment to see you if more convenient.			