



**Curriculum News Green Class**  
**Topic: Reading Focus Area: Our local area**

<b>Staff</b>	Mrs Cross, Mrs Chapman and Mrs Orwin
<b>Numeracy</b>	It is essential that children know their times tables off by heart, especially the 2, 5, and 10 times tables, and the 3 and 4 times tables. Please help them by ensuring that they practice these at home every day if necessary. If you would like support with this, please let us know.
<b>Literacy</b>	Children will be learning to problem solve through reading stories containing 'Issues and Dilemmas'. Please read daily with your child and comment in their reading record, and also discuss with your child the stories they are reading. This will help their understanding of what the story is about and improve their comprehension skills generally.
<b>Science</b>	Our topic this term is 'Friction' and we will be finding out about the use of force in various situations. We will be continuing our focus on investigative work by designing our own experiments on friction between surfaces. We are encouraging the children to be more confident using scientific vocabulary too, so please talk with them about this at home!
<b>Geography</b>	This term, we will be finding out more about our local area, with a particular focus on maps and mapping. Please encourage your children to be aware of the route they take to school, and to other local places such as the library and the shops.
<b>RE</b>	We are exploring 'What it means to have faith'; looking at Christianity as well as other religions. Please do contact us if you feel able to contribute in any way, through coming to talk with the children or by other means.
<b>DT</b>	We have got some exciting work planned where we will be doing some textile work. <u>Any</u> help at all will be greatly appreciated – please come and let us know when you are available.
<b>PE</b>	Children will be developing their athletic skills this term, and we will be taking advantage of good weather wherever possible so please ensure your child has appropriate footwear.
<b>Music</b>	We have enjoyed learning some singing games so far this term, and will be developing our already wonderful singing skills by learning some more.

**Homework:** Please continue to support your child with their homework. If you have any problems at all then please do not hesitate to speak to me or a member of our class team. Please continue to read with your child daily and place your comments in the Reading Record.

**Useful Websites:**

<http://www.hitchams.suffolk.sch.uk/>  
[www.bbc.co.uk/schools/scienceclips/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/scienceclips/)