



Newsletter



Monday 25th April 2022



Welcome back - it's the Summer term!

	<i>Pupils Involved</i>	<i>Event</i>
Monday 25 th April	Whole school	Music with Mr Burns.
Tuesday 26 th April	Whole school	PE (outdoor PE kit needed) After school clubs - finish at 4pm.
	Whole school	Forest School session outdoors.
Wednesday 27 th April		
Thursday 28 th April	Class 2 (Years 3,4& 5)	Swimming - need swimming kit (costume /trunks, goggles and a towel in a bag)
Friday 29 th April		
Monday 2 nd May		Bank Holiday - school closed.
Tuesday 3 rd May	Whole school	PE After school clubs - finish at 4pm.
	Reception	Forest School session - outdoors.
Wednesday 4 th May		
Thursday 5 th May	Class 2	Swimming - need swimming kit.
Friday 6 th May		



Please contact our school office as soon as possible if your child is absent– thank you.

What are we doing in our classrooms this week...?

Reception Topic - Into the Forest **Book of the week**- The Tree by Neal Layton

Communication and Language - We will listen to our book of the week and focus on key vocabulary to use through the following weeks.

Personal and Social Development - We will show sensitivity to others feelings and focus on how the characters feel in the story. We will discuss whether we would behave differently to the characters in the story.

Physical Development - In PE, we will work on multiskills with and we will work in our outdoor area using small and large equipment. We will draw animals with increasing attention to detail.

Literacy- Following our Read, Write Inc phonics programme we will continue to practise reading words with the digraphs we have covered so far which are sh, ch, th, ng, nk, ee, oo, ay, igh and ow. We will be reinforcing tricky words that we have learnt so far. We will play a phonics locking log game. We will write letters to the animals in the story.

Mathematics- We will continue to copy and create simple repeating patterns both indoors and outside.

Understanding the World - We will find out about what trees are used for animals that depend on them.

Expressive Arts and Design - We will continue with our music session with Mr Burns and we will make repeating patterns using musical instruments.

Class 1 English: Our core text this half term is 'Where The Wild Things Are' by Maurice Sendak. This week we will be exploring the fantasy setting of the story and making our own fantasy forest setting. We will be writing our own descriptive setting pieces of writing. Our focus is editing and improving our work using our non-negotiables.

Maths: Our topic is time. Year 2 will be recapping over how to tell the time to the hour and to half an hour then learning how to tell the time to quarter past and quarter to. Year 1 will be focusing on telling the time to the hour and half past. We will be making our own clocks which children can bring them home to help them to consolidate their time knowledge.

Science: Our topic this half term is plants. This week we will be learning about plants and how to grow plants. We will be planting our own seeds and talking about how to look after the seeds so they grow.

Geography- Our topic this half term is jungles focusing on rainforests. This week we will be learning all about jungles around the world recapping on our knowledge of continents around the world. We will be labelling jungles around the world using a map.

Art- Our topic this half term is exploring the artist Henri Rousseau using his artwork of jungles and forests. This week we will be learning all about how to draw plants and doing observational drawings of plants.

R.E: Our topic is Friendship and how different religions celebrate friendship. We will be talking about what special qualities our friends have and talking about who our friends are.

PE: This half term we will be doing athletics and team games.

Computing: Our topic this half term is animation. We will be exploring what animation is and looking at how this is created. We will be learning how to create a storyboard.

PSHE: Our topic is relationships. This week we will be talking about families and who is in our families. We will be creating pictures of our families for our display 'different families, same love'

Music: We will be playing instruments and learning all about finding the beat.

How to help at home: If you could talk to your child about different times that things happen using clocks at home such as bedtime, tea time etc.

Class 2 English - This week we begin our new story 'The Great Kapok Tree', we will be drawing the scene that we imagine from sounds of the rainforest. We will then be researching the Amazon and creating a magazine page with information about it. We will be writing a sentence to describe the Amazon and then putting these together with others to create a free verse. At the end of the week, we will be exploring how sound effects when storytelling and reading poems. We will be practising this with a poem by Grace Nichols.

Maths - Year 3 - We are going to be continuing on mass this week with adding and subtracting mass and using different measurements. We will then be working on measuring capacity and comparing volume.

Year 4 - We continue with decimals by working on hundredths on a place value grid before dividing 1 and 2 digit numbers by 100. We will then be recapping our bonds to 10 and 100 to use this for making a whole and writing decimals.

Year 5 - We are finishing fractions this week by multiplying non-unit fractions and mixed numbers by integers before finding fractions of amounts and using fractions as operators. We will be doing lots of problem solving with our fractions knowledge.

Science - In science this half term we are going to be learning about plants. We begin this week by exploring roots and how important these are to plants.

Topic - We begin our topic on the rainforest this week by learning about where rainforests are in the world. We will be using our atlas skills to locate these countries. We will then be learning about a boy who lives in Ecuador and will be considering different aspects of his life.

RE - We begin by finding out how Sikhism began and what Sikhs believe.

PE - Games and swimming.

Design and Technology - This half term we are going to be learning about mini greenhouses to help with our plants topic in science. We are going to be learning about existing greenhouses this week.

French - This half term we are going to be talking about ourselves, this week we will be focussing on eye and hair colour.

PSHE - We begin learning about relationships this half term by thinking about roles and responsibilities in the household, including facing stereotypes.

Helping at home - Year 3 - Can you practise measuring things at home, including mass and capacity.

Year 4 and 5 - We are working to ensure that we are fluent in our times tables up to 12x12 so please practise these at home, you can access Times Tables Rockstars to help with this.

Please also ensure that you read with your child at least three times per week.



Children's Cancer Run – there's only 3 weeks left to go before we run!

If you would like to join our team of runners for either 1, 3 or 5 miles on

Sunday 15th May then please sign up on the website

(childrenscancerrun.co.uk) and maybe join our after school running club.

We were really excited to receive this letter from Buckingham Palace today in response to the letters sent by Class 2. We can't wait to start planning our own Jubilee celebrations.



