



Wren Class Newsletter

Term 5, 2024



Welcome back to you all. We hope you had a lovely Easter break. It is good to see the children returning with renewed energy and enthusiasm to learn.

Our learning

As scientists this term we are focusing on knowing about life cycles for plants and animals, including minibeasts. We are going to look closely at the butterfly lifecycle and the life cycle of a chick by looking after our own caterpillars and hopefully having our own eggs to hatch! We will also be planting some fruit and vegetables in our garden.

In phonics we will moving onto Phase 4 which focuses on words with adjacent consonants (e.g. **slip lift, bend**) and begin to read slightly longer books which require more stamina.

Likewise, as authors, we will be continuing to develop our writing to include phase 4 words and again increasing our stamina as well as remembering finger spaces, full stops and capital letters.

In RE we will be answering the question 'Where do we belong?' We will recognise and respect that people have different beliefs and learn how people celebrate special times in different ways.

As mathematicians we will be using our mathematical knowledge to solve problems with numbers to 20 and beyond, particularly adding and subtracting. We will be looking at numerical patterns including counting patterns and odd and even numbers. We will also be developing our spatial reasoning skills by matching, rotating and manipulating shapes and measures.

Please see the attached Curriculum Jigsaw as an overview of our learning this term.

PE Lessons

We will continue to have 'Future Stars' PE sessions throughout the summer term, these will be held on Thursday morning during Term 5 and will focus on games; taking turns, sharing and accepting people win and lose in games. Please make sure your child has his / her PE kit in school. We are hoping to go outside for PE when the weather improves, particularly in the run up to Sports Day, please could you make sure they have named daps.

Forest School

Our forest school sessions will now take place every Monday afternoon, please make sure your child has their wellies and waterproofs in school for these sessions.

Phonics Workshop

We are hoping to hold a phonics workshop for parents on Wednesday 24th April at 2.30pm. We will review what Phase 4 will involve and how you can support at home.

Parental Workshop – Forest School

We would like to invite you to our next parental workshop which will be held on Tuesday 14th May at 2.15 until 3pm. This will be an opportunity to join in and experience a Forest School session. A separate letter will be sent out nearer the time.

General

The children are very lucky to be able to make use of our outdoor area to support their learning. On any sunny days please could you ensure that your child comes to school with sun cream already applied and has a sun hat either in their book bag or left in school in their tray. Could they also make sure they have a named water bottle to bring into school, especially on hot days.

If you have any concerns or questions please feel free to come and chat to us anytime. If a longer chat is necessary then we can arrange an appropriate meeting time.

Many thanks for your support.

Mrs Wilson and Mrs Heirani