

Reminders

P.E

All children take part in P.E on a Friday morning. Please make sure that children have a full P.E kit in school every week. Can we remind you that children are not allowed to take part in P.E. if they cannot remove their own earrings.

Water Bottles

As the weather is getting warmer we would like to encourage the children to bring a water bottle to school. Please ensure that this contains water and has your child's name clearly written on it.

Fund

We collect a voluntary fund of 50p a week which we collect on a Monday morning, Fund money goes towards lots of extra activities such as cooking, crafts and topic related activities. Without this collection we will not be able to provide these extra activities for your child.

Toys

Please keep toys and figures at home. It is upsetting when children misplace items that are precious to them so we encourage the children to leave them at home, where they are safe.

Occasionally a child may wish to bring in something special to share with their class and teacher such as a souvenir from a holiday. That is fine and we enjoy talking about these exciting experiences.

Other Information!

Parents as Partners

We would like to welcome your contribution as parents to your child's learning journey. Anything that your child does outside of school can be shared with us and put into your child's Learning Journey; this then allows us to build up a full picture of your child.

Dates for your diary

Week commencing 25th April: Saltwells Wood trips

Tuesday 23rd May: *Sports Day*

May Half Term:

Monday 29th May–Friday 2nd June

Monday 5th June: *Inset Day*

Tuesday 6th June: *Dudley Zoo Trip*

Thursday 8th June: *Inset Day*

Friday 9th June: *Summer Fayre 3.30-6.30*

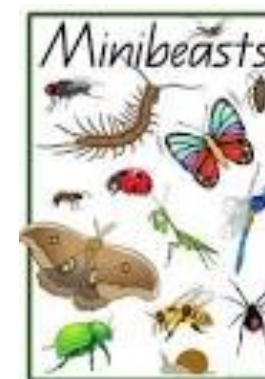
Friday 16th June: *Jungle Dad's Day*

Monday 24th July: *EYFS Fun Day*

Tuesday 25th July: *Break-up for summer*

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask.

Reception Summer Term 2017



Information for parents.

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Introduction

Summer Term begins!

This term we will be learning about growing plants, minibeasts, animals and dinosaurs. We will be caring for caterpillars and watching them change into butterflies. We will also be looking after our giant African land snail, Steve! The children will be learning to ask lots of questions, find out information and see how things change over time.

Forest School

Please send your child to school wearing their Forest School clothes on their Forest School day. Their school uniform and school coat should be in a labelled plastic bag. Children will also need to have their wellies in school at all times. Please make sure these are named as it is much easier for the children to be independent if they can find their own belongings.

When the weather is warm and sunny the children will need a sunhat/cap and please apply sun cream before they come to school.



Literacy

This term in Literacy, we will be focusing on:

- Non-fiction books about minibeasts, growth and animals.
- Blending sounds in words to read simple sentences.
- Reading and writing tricky words by sight.
- Writing sentences using connectives.

You can help at home by:

- Sharing non-fiction books and using a contents page to gain information.
- Providing lots of opportunities for your child to read and write at home.

Reading Books

Please make sure book bags are in school **everyday**. All the children have their book changed during the week so it is important your child has their book and planner with them at all times. Please encourage your child to:

- Hold the book the correct way and turn the pages one at a time from the front to the back.
- Track the text and talk about what they have read.
- Talk about what happens in the story and make predictions about what might happen next.
- **Remember reading the same book time and time again allows your child to absorb story language, make predictions, retell a story and talk about their favourite part of the story.**

Maths

This term in Maths, we will be focusing on:

- Number
- Calculation
- Time -beginning to learn about clocks and o'clock times.
- Doubling and halving
- 3D shapes and their properties.
- Measuring and using comparative language.

You can help at home by:

- Talking about daily routines, what time you get up, go to bed etc.
- Exploring doubling and halving in everyday life e.g. sharing out sweets.
- Recognising and talking about everyday 3D shapes.
- Counting on and back from a given number to solve problems.
- Counting in steps of 2s, 5s and 10s.

Weather

As we are now into the Summer Term hopefully we will be experiencing some sunny Summer weather! Please can you send your child to school with a cap/hat to wear when it is sunny and warm. We will be sending out a consent form for you to sign to allow staff to apply sun cream to your child in due course. Please make sure this is signed and returned.