



24th May 2019

Excalibur Primary School

Term: Summer 1 Week: five

Reception Class Newsletter

The children have had a lovely end to the half term with Sports Week. They have much to look forward to next half term with the launch of our new topic "Beside the Sea". The children will have transition visits to Year one to help them get ready for next September. They will also help to welcome our new starters when they join the class for their pre-school visits. The Reception children will show them how to use our environment and how to interact with one another.



Sports week was a huge success for the children and the staff! We all enjoyed the opportunity to try different activities, including soft archery, cricket, yoga, golf, athletics, dodge ball and dance. Scoot fit was unfortunately cancelled due to the weather conditions on Wednesday morning. The week was nicely rounded off with our Sports day events. The children showed great sportmanship by cheering one another on, accepting that you don't always win and trying their best. We hope you managed to join us to share the experience.



Guided reading groups and Read Write Inc will continue after the holiday. The children are making super progress so keep practising as much as possible to help reinforce what is being learnt at school.

And finally, as we prepare for the move into Year one, our weekly letters will finish. A topic letter will be sent out for our final half term so that we fall into line with the rest of the school. This will mean that the children will be expected to talk about what we have been learning about in school.

Show and Tell

Our last opportunity for Show and Tell will be during the first week back. The children will be invited to share their holiday homework on their given day. After that, we will plan to use the Show and Tell time to hold class discussions on a number of PSE themes.



Holiday Homework

Please find holiday homework for our new topic "Beside the Sea" in your child's planner.

Requests for after half term

We have a couple of requests for resources to support our "Beside the Sea" topic. We would therefore ask that everyone sends in the following:



A clean, clear plastic bottle. We will use this for a message in a bottle.



A kitchen roll tube (we can't accept toilet rolls for health and safety reasons). This will be transformed into a telescope.

Kidsgrove Vets Competition



The judges at Kidsgrove vets enjoyed looking at the competition entries and we can announce that Matthew, Cerys, Jack H and Elliot have each won a prize. A big well done to all who took part!

Super stars

There was no celebration assembly on Friday due to Sports Day. However, all our children were sports stars this week. Fantastic effort!



Have a great half term break,

Mrs Rogers, Mrs Cheadle, Mrs Thompson, Mrs Brooker and Mrs Woodcock