

Summer Newsletter

Year 2



Welcome to the Summer Term.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Last term ended with a visit to Ford Green Hall. The children really enjoyed meeting Samuel Pepys and playing with toys and games from the period. The staff at the hall were impressed with children's knowledge and how well they listened.

This term we will be reading lots of stories set at the seaside. These will include 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch', 'The Snail and The Whale', 'The Whales' Song' and 'The Mousehole Cat'. One of our books, 'Flotsam', has no words which means the children will have to write their own versions. We will learn about Grace Darling's heroic rescue of nine souls, Mary Anning's fossil collecting and how holidays have changed in the last 100 years.

In maths we will be continuing with our tables - 2x 5x 10x 3x and 4x tables and the four rules of number. We will also be revising fractions, money, data handling, 2D and 3D shape and time. On our class page there are links to maths games to reinforce class work such as Prodigy, BBC super movers times tables and a branching databases program.

For maths games try these websites:

<http://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/counting>

<https://ttrockstars.com/>

www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks1/maths/

<http://mathszone.co.uk/>

In science we will be learning about plants and the conditions needed for growth. The children will soon be bringing home a sunflower seedling for a 'Who can grow the tallest sunflower?' competition, details to follow. Sunflowers are not the only things we are growing this term. Look out for the Whit week holiday homework! We will also be finding out about our basic needs as human beings and how to look after animals.

Homework

Children should continue to practise their 2x 3x 4x 5x 10x tables. Reading and spelling homework will be sent home on Fridays and returned the following Wednesday.

Children may bring in named bottles of water each day so long as the bottle has a secure lid. These should be taken home every night for washing and refilling. As it gets warmer and especially if the sun shines, please send your child in to school with a hat and maybe sunglasses and apply suntan lotion before coming to school. Please try to make sure that all your child's clothes are clearly labelled with their name. Any lost property can then be easily identified.



PE

PE lessons are on Wednesdays and Fridays this term. Outdoor PE is on Friday, but we will try to go outside as much as possible on Wednesdays as well, weather permitting. Our focus will be athletics as the inter school sports event is coming up next half term. Please ensure your child has their kit in school on the correct days. Kits should be taken home at the end of each half term for washing or before, if they become dirty. Track suits or leggings may be sent in during cold weather.

In the mornings, registers are taken at 9.00 but children are encouraged to be in school from 8.50 to take part in classroom activities. Children arriving after 9.00 are asked to enter school through the main door. Children are collected from the classroom door at 3.15.

If you have any queries or questions throughout the term, please do not hesitate to contact me. If you are unable to come into school, please use the home school planner as a means of communication.

Thank you for your support.
Yours sincerely
Mrs Weatherby

