

Squirrel Class Newsletter

Summer term 1 2023

Dear parents/carers,

We are soon to enter our last term of the year. It looks to be an exciting and busy term.

This half term we have lots of exciting topics to explore. In **English** we will start by studying the popular book 'The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark' before moving onto our next non-fiction unit of compiling instructions on how to create a bird feeder. In **maths**, year 1 will begin learning about multiplication and division. Year 1 will then go on to start learning about fractions. Year 2 will begin by learning about telling the time before also moving onto fractions. In **Science** learning will progress nicely from spring 2. We will be looking at how people can maintain a healthy body and lifestyle. This half term the children will be studying **History** and exploring how travel has changed over time. In **RE** the children will continue exploring Christianity and asking the question, 'how does celebrating Pentecost remind Christians that God is with them always? **PE** will continue to be on a Tuesday and a Thursday where we will be concentrating on team building and striking and fielding games. Finally, this term we will be studying **Art** where we will be undertaking a craft and design module. We will be creating maps and experimenting with different craft techniques.

Most children will continue to have a daily **phonics** session and will be sent home with three books to read at home. Those who are no longer on the Read Write Inc. programme will be going to Badger class to complete spellings, reading comprehension and grammar lessons.

What you can do at home?

Please continue to support your child to practice their weekly spellings. New spellings will be sent home each Monday to be tested the following Monday.

Read at home as often as possible and ensure this is recorded in the children's reading records.

Encourage your children to play on timetable rock stars. If you have any issues logging on to their account, please let me know. Year 2 are continuing to develop their knowledge of the 2, 5 and 10 times tables. This term they will begin to transfer this knowledge of times tables as they are tested on division. Please also ensure they have their times tables book in their bags every Wednesday.

If you have any questions, please ask.

Kind regards,

Mrs Allen