



## Rabbit Class Newsletter

### Summer Term 2 2023

Dear parents/carers,

#### Rabbit Class Staff

Mrs Duncan—Class teacher (Tuesday-Wednesday)

Miss Garland—Class Teacher (Monday, Thursday, Friday)

Mrs Morris—Teaching Assistant (Wednesday-Friday)

#### This half term!

With the sun hopefully shining the children are set to enjoy an engaging and exciting project on 'by the sea'. As with all our projects, we will begin by talking with the children about their existing knowledge as well as possible lines of development for this project. We have our summer outing to Redgrave and Lopham Fen to look forward to as well as sports day.

In our classroom our role play will be a home corner, with the addition of our toy babies, there will be a focus on looking after others and caring for each other, this will help support Rabbits with their transition into Year 1. In **literacy** we are going to be reading stories linked to the sea, including; 'The Rainbow Fish', 'Lost and Found', 'The Proudest Blue' and the non fiction report 'If sharks disappeared' and a fact file on 'penguins'. The final book focus will be 'Ruby's worry', which we will use to focus on the transition into another class. In **maths** Rabbit class will continue to practise and consolidate the key skills of comparing and ordering, counting, sorting and matching, subitising and composition. They will learn that double means 'twice as many' and will be given opportunities to build doubles using real objects and mathematical equipment. The children will begin to understand that some quantities will share equally into 2 groups and some won't. They will explore these ideas in different contexts in their play. In **understanding of the world** children will learn about seaside holidays in the past and compare them to seaside holidays now. Through **Developing Experts** children will explore how waves wear away the coastline and how to make the perfect sandcastle. In our **design and technology** pupils will practise threading and weaving techniques using various materials and objects, this knowledge and skill will be used to design and sew their own bookmark. Our **music** sessions will be based on traditional children's tales and songs, using music an instruments to convey moods and represent characters. In **Physical Development** with Mrs Duncan, we will be developing our ball skills and the sessions with our PE coach will focus on games. In RE this half term children will discuss 'How can we care for our wonderful world?' Our **personal, social and emotional development** sessions will focus on staying safe in the great outdoors. Children will be taught about sun safety and water safety.

#### Phonics and Reading

The children are making really enjoying their phonics lessons and are now applying their phonic knowledge to their writing. Remember to record when your child has read in their reading record and we can award them a certificate in our celebration assembly every Friday. Children also receive a ticket into our weekly prize draw to win a book for reading at home every day.

#### WOW moments

The children love to share their wow moments in class, please keep sending them in. If you need more



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post it notes please let us know.

### Water Bottles

Please ensure your children have a labelled water bottle in school with them every day.

### Sunhat and suncream

We aim to access the outdoor environment every day, therefore please send your child in with a named sunhat. Please ensure children are covered in sun cream during the summer months.

### PE

PE is on a Thursday with our PE specialist and Tuesday with Mrs Duncan. Please make sure your child comes to school dressed in their PE kit. Long hair must be tied up and earrings need to be removed for safety reasons.

### Twitter and Tapestry

We hope you enjoy the observations of your child's learning we share with you on Tapestry. Please ask if you need any help with downloading and setting up the Tapestry app. Remember to check out what we have been doing in school on our Rabbit class twitter page, you can access it by looking on: @BCEVCPRabbits <https://mobile.twitter.com/bcevcprabbits>

### Supporting you child at home

Alongside daily reading with your child please support your child with the following:

- Spelling words by saying the word and saying the sounds they can hear in the word then writing the word down.
- Writing sentences.
- Doubling and halving numbers to 10.
- Naming 2D and 3D shapes
- Solving practical problems with all our maths knowledge such as 'Jasper planted 5 seeds in one patch and planted the same amount in another patch, how many seeds did he plant altogether?'

### Questions

Thank you for all of the support that you provide at home, it really is so beneficial to their development and learning. Please come and speak to us at the end of the day if you have any questions.

Kind Regards

Mrs Duncan and Miss Garland