

Dear Parents and Carers,
Welcome back to Term 3, we hope you had a lovely Christmas and wish you all a happy New Year!
Below are just a few reminders for this term:

Reading

A gentle reminder that children should be reading their phonics book at home. Please document each time your child reads in their yellow reading record and return this to school each day alongside their sharing book.

Water bottles

Please ensure your child brings a water bottle into school every day.

Uniform

We would like all children to take pride in their school uniform. Children should come into school wearing the appropriate school uniform each day, wearing sensible black shoes. Please ensure that children do not wear jewellery to school for health and safety reasons. An exception will be made for small stud earrings and small objects of religious significance. **We have PE every Tuesday and Friday.** Children should wear PE kit to school on these days with appropriate footwear. On these days any studs should be removed or covered up with plasters/ medical tape.

Best wishes,

Mrs. Bailey & Miss Wyatt

English & Phonics

This term, we will be immersing ourselves in *The Zoo* by Anthony Browne. We will be using the book as inspiration for our writing.

We will be learning to use question marks, exclamation marks and the conjunction 'and.'

In phonics, we are learning Phase 5 sounds and tricky words. Please continue to support your child with their reading at home and with their phonics home learning.

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Maths

In Maths this term, we are learning place value and addition and subtraction to 20. We will understand how numbers are formed using tens and ones. We will be focusing on developing reasoning and problem solving Maths skills.

Science

In Science this term, we will be exploring everyday materials. Children will learn to identify what objects are made of and explore the different properties. We will be testing which materials are waterproof and absorbent.

Computing

In computing this term, we will be working on improving mouse skills. Children will learn how to use computers more purposefully and practise using a mouse to drag, drop, and click and control a cursor. We will be using software tools to create art on the computer.

PSHE

This term, we will be completing a unit on Dreams and Goals. We will be setting goals and discussing how we can achieve these.

Geography

This term, we will be exploring what weather is like in the UK. Children will learn the names of the countries that make up the UK, the four compass directions and how to observe and describe daily weather patterns.

Art

This term, we will delve into the artwork of Hilma AF Klint. Using her work as inspiration we will create our own pieces of abstract art. Children will learn how to mix primary colours, collage and plan and create a final piece.

Music

This term, we will be focussing on tempo. Children will learn to use their bodies and instruments to respond to pieces of music with fast and slow speeds. They will learn and perform a rhyme and a song focussing on fast and slow.

RE

This term, we will be exploring and discussing our views on what is God's job? We will investigate different religious beliefs to understand what some people believe God does.

PE

This term, we will be focussing on tag-rugby and dance. In tag rugby, children will learn how to handle and move with a rugby ball and will begin to understand simple team play. In dance, we will develop creating simple patterns of movement linked to music and a theme.