

Head of School: Mrs K Whitford

Tuesday 7th June 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope you have had a restful and enjoyable half-term and that you are all refreshed and ready for what the summer terms brings.

This half term our topic is called 'Wriggle and Crawl!'.

Grab your coat-we're going out and about on a minibeast hunt. Sweep your nets in ponds and lift up logs to see who's home. Then set up a minibeast laboratory and observe their every move. Add notes and labels and ask research questions, just like a real entomologist. Learn about bees and worms and butterflies too. Can you make a food chain to show who eats who? Carry out investigations to find out more, like how far a snail travels in a day and how a spider catches its prey. Then animate to show how your favourite bug transforms from one form to another, perhaps a caterpillar to a butterfly or a maggot to a fly. On your belly, legs at the ready, it's time to wriggle and crawl.

Below there is some information about this half term and some ideas about helping your child at home.

Drumming

We will continue with our drumming lessons this half-term, Kittiwake have had so much fun so far, learning about beats and rhythms. We have also learnt some songs along the way.

Phonics

Kittiwake will start their new Read Write inc. groups this week. We will be recapping tricky sounds and working on comprehension skills.

Please continue to recap your child's sounds as regularly as you can. It really is the foundation to becoming fluent readers and writers.

Reading

We will help the children choose new books throughout the week. Children should read at home <u>at least five times a week</u>. All reading should be recorded in their Reading Record books, please also write in here any other home reading you might share.

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Maths

This half term we will be continuing with shape, we will then move onto time. We will be recapping calculation such as adding and subtracting 2-digit numbers, using the column method and addition and subtraction facts with in 100.

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12
Autumn	Numb	Number: Place Value			Number: Addition and Subtraction					rement: ney	Number: Multiplication and Division	Consolidation
Spring	Nun	Number: Multiplication and <u>Division</u>				Geometry: Properties of Shape			Number: Fractions			
Summer	Leng	Measurement: Geometry: Length and Position and Direction		Consolidation and problem solving			rement: me	Measurement Capacity Temperat		nd	Consolidation	

Websites and Apps:

Suggested websites to help support your child's learning:

- o Mr Thorne Network on Youtube fantastic phonics videos.
- BBC Bitesize K\$1 (daily lessons)
 https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/tags/z7s22sg/year-2-and-p3-lessons
- Ruth Miskin
 https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCo7fbLgY2oA cFClg9GdxtQ
- Teach your Monster to read (App)
- o White Rose home learning -ttps://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning/year-2/
- o Top Marks maths -https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/counting

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Homework:

I will continue to upload weekly homework onto 'Seesaw', if you need help accessing this platform, please let me know.

I will be uploading a weekly maths activity linked to what we have been learning. This is intended for you to work on together, consolidating the week's learning. There will also be times table and division to practise. We will be concentrating on our 2, 5 and 10 times tables.

Spellings

Children will have weekly spellings to practise and learn. Each child will have a spelling book in which these weekly spellings can be practised. If your spelling book is full please let me know and I will provide another one. There are lots of different ways to learn their spellings. It is important that they also understand the meaning of the words they are learning. Can they put them into context? Can they write a sentence including one or two? Please find this half terms spelling list attached.

PΕ

PE will be taught on a <u>Monday</u> afternoon. Please ensure your child wears their PE kit to school.

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Other Information

We encourage your child to have water bottles in school, so they have access to water throughout the day. Snacks from home need to be labelled and put in the snack tray for break time. Please can you help us with our Healthy School status and provide fruit, veg or other healthy snacks. Snack ideas can be found on https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/food-facts/healthier-snacks-for-kids.

Please could they only bring to school a lunch box (if not having school lunches), coat, hat, sunscreen, book bag and water bottle (water only). All labelled.

I will only be available for a brief exchange of information at the class door so if you feel you need a longer conversation, please make an appointment for me to call you by telephoning the office and I will endeavour to get back to you the same day.

Yours sincerely

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