

Summer Term- Badgers Newsletter



April 2024

Welcome back to our final term of this academic year! I hope you all had a wonderful Easter and are feeling refreshed and ready for the term ahead. This term we shall continue to raise the profile of attendance and the children will receive a special ticket for five consecutive days in school. We have some wonderful prizes up for grabs.

Ancient Greece

Our topic this term is Ancient Greece which will serve as the thread through lots of our other curriculum areas like guided reading and English.

Reading

Please continue to support your child's reading at home by encouraging them to read at least 4 times each week and please don't forget to record this reading in their reading records so that we can see when they have read their books. 10 minutes each day can really help to improve their reading fluency and confidence. As always, we love for the children to read for pleasure so if there are other books that your child would like to read, please encourage them to do so! Any additional books can be included in the children's reading records.

Continuing to ask your child questions about what they are reading will really help them to develop their comprehension skills and therefore their understanding of what they have read. Examples of these can be found in their reading records.

Spellings

Spelling tests will continue to take place every Friday. The spelling list for the half term is out and spares are available in the plastic wallets on the wall of the cloakroom as usual. The weekly spellings are based on spelling patterns that occur in the year 5 and 6 word list. Please encourage your child to practise their spellings at home, dojo points are awarded for children who score well.

PE

PE lessons will take place on Thursday and Friday. However, we ask that your child brings a full indoor and outdoor school PE kit, including outdoor trainers, on a Monday morning and leaves it in school for the week. We will aim to teach PE outside unless there are extreme weather conditions then we will be inside. Our outdoor PE kit consists of the kingfisher blue or white t-shirt, blue or black joggers and trainers. If you think your child requires extra layers then please send these with them and please remember to provide socks if your child wears tights. Please ensure that all of your child's clothing is clearly labelled as each year we seem to have more and more stray clothing. If it is labelled it is easier to find and return to the owner.

Water bottles

Please continue to send your child to school with a water bottle each day. Children have access to their water bottles throughout the school day and these can be refilled at school when needed.

PGL

Look out for an upcoming PGL meeting regarding kit lists and arrangements for our residential visit.

SATs

SATs will take place in the week beginning 13th May. Please can you make sure you avoid appointments for children during the mornings of Monday – Thursday of this week.

Swimming

Starting on Tuesday 23rd April, the year 5 children will be taking part in swimming lessons. Please ensure they have their swimming kit in school for these Tuesday sessions.

Many thanks for your continued support this year,
Mr Roe