



19th April 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have an interesting, informative and fun summer term planned for the children and it has been great to see how enthusiastically they have come back to school ready to learn.

We would also like to welcome Miss Edwards to the Sea Turtle class, she will be in the Sea Turtle class full time and Miss Wong who is a trainee teacher working in the Dolphin Class alongside Ms Innes.

The children have had a busy first week back, they have started their new history topic, 'Romans in Britain' and have placed this period in history on a timeline. In science the children are looking at the impact humans have on the environment. They used their forest school time to look around the school grounds to discover as many different habitats as they could and appreciated that our school grounds are home to a wide variety of wildlife and minibeasts. In English, the children looked at Clerihew poems and had a go at writing their own poems and presenting them to the class. In maths, the children continued to learn about mass and capacity.

All the topics the children will be learning about this term are on the school website and these will give you an idea of what your child will be learning in each subject. ['Curriculum Captures' \(click here\)](#)

Home Learning: Reading is the main focus of the school, and each child has their own login for **Collins E-Books**, these books have been set to each child's individual level from school assessments. Practise reading the sounds in these books would be beneficial to your child's continued progress in reading. There is a new list of summer home learning activities on Teams. If your child would like to, they can choose one activity to have a go at a week. Their finished tasks can be upload on **Teams** and shared with the class. There are activities set on **Mathletics** which relate to the fraction unit in maths which they will be looking at during the first few weeks of the summer term. They also have access to **Spelling Shed** and **Times Table Rockstars**.

In Maths, we will be starting to introduce this terms topic of fractions. We will be:

Understanding the denominator in unit fractions, comparing and ordering unit fractions, understanding numerator in non-unit fractions, understand the whole and comparing and ordering non-unit fractions.

In English we will be starting a new unit on 'stories from another culture', we will be using the book, 'The Village that Vanished' by Ann Grafalconi, an African story of the Yao people to inspire the children's writing.

In spelling, we will be learning to spell words ending with the suffix '-er'.

Summer 1 spellings are also attached from the Year 3/4 spelling list.

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teacher

dispatcher

stretcher

catcher

butcher

scorcher

preacher

watcher

cruncher

richer

Year 3/4 Spelling Words

Summer 1

favourite

February

forwards

fruit

grammar

group

guard

guide

heard



Year 3/4 Spelling List – for reference

Year A

accident
accidentally
actually
address
answer
appear
arrive
believe
bicycle
breath
breathe
build
busy
business
calendar
caught
centre
century
certain
circle
complete
consider
continue
decide
describe
different
difficult
disappear
early

earth
eight
eighth
enough
exercise
experience
experiment
extreme
famous
favourite
February
forwards
fruit
grammar
group
guard
guide
heard
heart
height
history
imagine
increase
important
interest
island
knowledge

Year B

learn

length
library
material
medicine
mention
minute
natural
naughty
notice
occasion
occasionally
often
opposite
ordinary
particular
peculiar
perhaps
popular
position
possess
possession
possible
potatoes
pressure
probably
promise
purpose
quarter
question
recent

regular
reign
remember
sentence
separate
special
straight
strange
strength
suppose
surprise
therefore
though
although
thought
through
various
weight
woman
women