



Summercroft

Reception

Newsletter Summer 1, April 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back after what we hope was a memorable and busy Easter break and you managed to enjoy some warmer and sunnier weather! We look forward to hearing about all the exciting things the children have been up to! Please remember to fill in the Easter holiday Snapshot sheet and bring it in as a talking point for us.

This Half Term

This half term we will begin by learning all about St George's Day and the story behind it. We will be using different media to make flags, swords and shields. Following this we will be focusing on the topic of Spring. We will be looking at the changes that occur during Spring and how this compares to the other seasons. The children have also shown a real interest in minibeasts whilst in our outside area. Therefore we will be studying this in more detail following the topic of Spring. We will be enhancing the children's knowledge by looking at non-fiction texts and developing our language skills by thinking of questions which we could ask an expert. We will come up with our own minibeast information books and stories. To support the learning on minibeasts, we will be focusing on the text 'Mad about Minibeasts' by Giles Andreae.

Spring Walk To Birchanger Woods



On Wednesday 1st May, we will be going on a Spring walk to Birchanger woods. The walk will take place between 9.15am and 10.30am. In order for the walk to go ahead, we will need parent support to accompany us. Sign-up sheets for offers of support will be outside your child's classroom w/c 23rd April.

Forest School



This half term we will be developing the children's sense of risk taking and self-awareness - allowing them to recognise their own emotions. This will be built through a variety of different woodland games and reflection time at the end of the sessions. We will of course be enjoying the changes that will be present as we fully embrace Spring. Lots of exciting minibeast hunts will be taking place and we will be using our 'owl eyes' to spot a variety of creatures.

Carnival Time

As part of the whole school theme 'Carnival', Reception will be focusing on the country 'Brazil'. We will be looking at the culture, music, dance, art and food from this country. To end the topic we will be showcasing to the rest of the school the children's creations through a Carnival Day on Friday 24th May. Your child will need to come to school dressed in the colours of the Brazilian Flag (green and yellow) on that day!



Dates For Your Diary

St George's Day

Tuesday 23rd April 2019

Walk to Birchanger Woods

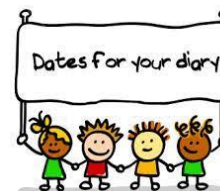
Wednesday 1st May 2019

Carnival Day

Friday 24th May – children come dressed in green and yellow

End of Half Term

Friday 24th May at 3:10pm.



How to support your child at home

- Listen to your child read regularly
- Writing words using the digraphs / trigraph – sh, ch, th, ng, oo, ee, ar, oa, igh, ai, oi, ow
- Writing sentences to match their pictures
- Writing, ordering and recognising numbers to 20
- Adding and subtracting two single digit numbers

Finally

We hope you enjoy hearing about all of the fun and exciting things happening this half term. Please continue to update your child's tapestry account with their achievements and experiences. Remember we are always here if you need to talk to us. ☺

Many thanks,

Mrs Bugg and Mrs Whieldon

