



## Weekly E-Bulletin for Week Commencing Monday 22 April

### Whole School

Welcome back to Term 5 and the very changeable weather!

**Uniform:** A polite reminder about school uniform as some children are starting to come into school in a variety of clothing and this is not acceptable or fair on everyone else. We do have a uniform list and are very flexible but we do expect children to wear the school PE kit on the days when they have PE, which includes plain dark colour bottoms and a purple t shirt. On the other days, they should wear the agreed school uniform, including footwear, although some children are wearing trainers, which is acceptable but only if they are plain black. We have continued to be flexible on ties, but they are strongly encouraged for KS2, although not necessary if the weather is very hot!

**Snacks:** If the children have a snack for break times, these should be something healthy rather than sweets which a few children have started to bring in.



**Food Share Project:** Year 6 have been working on a food share project called 'Waste not want not...' You might have seen the new shed outside their classroom. We aim to open it on **Monday** and **Friday** after school - don't worry as Year 6 will leave from the corridor. The idea is for any of us to bring in food/toiletries on **Monday** or **Friday** morning which we won't be using at home before the best before date on the product. In doing this, we hope that someone else can make use of it rather than it being put into landfill. This can be fresh produce or tinned/boxed goods. There will be a drop off point by the school gates on **Monday** and **Friday** morning and Year 6 will sort any donations before the end of the day. If anyone has any contacts with local food places/supermarkets who might also be able to donate to our waste not, want not project, please contact Mrs de Roeck.

### Billy Class - Reception

**Phonics next week:** words with short vowels such as champ chimp chest hunt

**Tricky words:** some come love do

Please remember to wear PE kit every **Wednesday**.

Billy Class will be holding their class assembly, which parents are invited to attend, on **Wednesday 22 May at 10.15am**.

### Angora Class - Year 1

Phonics this term will be reviewing what we have learned so far, in preparation for the Phonics Screening Check in June.

**Phonics reviewing:** ay, a\_e, ea and e

**Tricky Words review:** eye pure were said sure

On **Friday 26 April** we will be having a 'Fairy tale dress up day' to celebrate the start of our Fairytales in English! Children can come to school dressed up as a character from a fairy tale or traditional tale (eg Little Red Riding Hood, The Three Bears, Billy Goats Gruff).

**PE and earrings:** During PE lessons we have to cover earrings with micropore tape for safety. If your child does not want their earrings covered by us, either please remove them on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays**, or they can come in with them already taped up!

### Alpine Class - Year 2

Thank you for all of your amazing diary entries and Easter Maths work that your children completed over the holidays. It has been great to hear about all of their lovely experiences over the holidays,

**Home Learning:** The children have all been given new home learning English and Maths work for this week which will be due on **Monday**.

**Home Reading Books:** Our Guided Reading groups restart next week, so this week your child will have a library book and a stage book to read at home and return next week. As always, if they return their Reading Journals with records of home reading, they will earn table points and stickers for their bookmarks. If you need a new Reading Journal or bookmark, please let us know and we will be happy to find you a new one.

Our Maths topic in the second half of the term will be time so if your child can begin to practise reading clocks at home, or out in public, this will help them to tell the time in school as well. Finally, if they have an old-fashioned analogue watch, it would be great for them to start wearing these in school and at home.

### Kinder Class - Year 3

It has been lovely welcoming all of the children back and hearing about their Easter breaks.

Just a reminder to keep up the times tables practice and reading at home as it all helps!

**Home learning:** Each child has been set home learning based on this terms history topic of the Romans. House Points will be available for completing these tasks and we will present what the children have done on **Friday 24 May**.

During Maths this term we will be looking at time so any opportunity you can find to help your child practice this important skill would be greatly appreciated!

### Cashmere Class - Year 4

Well done to so many of you who read, practiced your times tables and completed some extra work over the holidays. I really enjoyed seeing some of your efforts!

Our PE days are now **Monday** and **Tuesday** (Tuesday being our swimming lesson). Please send your child into school in their PE kits on those days. On Tuesday's please don't send in large hoodies,

dressing gowns, or towelling robes for after swimming. As the weather is warmer, these aren't necessary and just takes up space in their bag making it difficult to carry and pack.

Please try to ensure that your child is reading a minimum of 4 days a week and that they bring in their signed reading records on **Friday**. If they have a shorter stage book, they will need to read their book twice before changing it to ensure they have a good understanding of the text and the language used within it.

Please help your children access Spelling Shed as they should be playing **5 games** on it a week or writing their spellings out and bringing them in on **Friday**.

Any support you can give your children with their times tables would be beneficial.

### Pygora Class - Year 5

It is great to have the children back in after the Easter holidays and I am really pleased with how much reading they have all done! We have had a super first week and the children have impressed me with their attitude to their work and their behaviour.

Apologies about the confusion with PE days. Hopefully everyone signed up to Arbor received my email about the change of days. To confirm, our PE days starting next week will be **Tuesday** and **Wednesday**.

**Wednesday 24 April** - Next week on **Wednesday** is our class assembly, it will be at 10:15 - 10:30 and I'm sure the children would love to see you all there.

This week's homework pages are:

Maths - P56 & 57 - Perimeter

English - P 39 - Sentence practice

5 games each of Spelling Shed and TTRS.

### Pygmy Class - Year 6

It has been lovely to see all our class back ready and refreshed to start the new term! We have lots of things happening over the next two terms to keep us busy, but our main focus for the next few weeks will be preparation for SATs, which begin on **Monday 13 May**. A leaflet about the SATs has been sent home, along with any information of access arrangements if they are applicable to your child.

We will be having some mini 'mock' SATs sessions this week, so the children can get used to timings, room layouts and readers where necessary. This means that hopefully the real SATs won't feel as daunting when they begin.

Please remember that further payments for the residential in June can be made on Arbor. Final payments need to be made by **Friday 10 May**.

This week's homework pages are:

Maths - p.68 & 69 Circles

English - p.82 & 83 Word endings - 'able' and 'ible'

5 games each of Spelling Shed and 20 minutes of TTRS.