

Week beginning 19th September

Ladybird Class Weekly Update

Wow Ladybird class! What a super first week we have all had.

Lots of lovely friendships have been forming and the grown-ups at school have enjoyed watching the children using such imaginative play. Our first full day was a great success and we were so proud of how well all of the children have coped with the new routines.

Next week we will be looking at our Bee Rules each day during our morning carpet sessions. We will also begin to look at the sounds m, a, s, d and t - a video will be sent home each day for you to watch with your child.

Our PE day will be Mondays so please ensure PE kits are in next week ready for the following week.

Forest school will take place each week on a Thursday so please do send in welly boots and waterproof trousers (can be kept at school), as well as suitable clothing each week.

Please send in named water bottles daily.

We look forward to another fun week next week.

Butterfly Class Weekly Update

Next week.....

In Phonics - We will be continuing to revise all of our set 2 sounds each day, focusing on reading words with one particular sound each day.

In Whole Class Guided Reading - we will be reading the book "Goldilocks and the Three Bears". Continuing our theme this term of traditional tales. Using our 'reading dog' questions, to practise different reading skills, for example considering the author's choice of vocabulary.

In English we will continue to use our Read Write Inc 'Get Writing' books, to practise our sentence writing - making sure that we start each sentence with a capital letter, have a finger space between each word and ensuring that we use a full stop at the end of each sentence and practise handwriting following the Oxford Owl scheme.

In Maths we will continue our unit of work on Place Value, finding one less than a given number, matching one object with another to compare groups (this is sometimes referred to as one-to-one correspondence), where children check if, for example, there are enough presents for everyone to have one each. We will also ensure that children have a clear understanding of maths vocabulary such as "fewer", "more" and "same". We will also continue to help children to ensure that their numbers are written with the correct orientation.

In Science we will be finding out more about the properties of materials, using words such as hard, soft, bendy, stretchy etc to describe properties of materials. We will go on an object hunt and then sort them based on their properties.

In Geography we will continue to find out about castles - this time learning about the four countries that make up the United Kingdom and learning about the castles found in their capital cities.

In Art we will be moving on from our work on artist Paul Klee and this week we will be looking at 'The Snail' by Matisse. We will be creating our own Snail pictures using a variety of materials.

We will change our library books on Tuesday this week.

Dragonfly Class Weekly Update

We are very proud of the children and are amazed by how quickly they have settled into Year 2.

Next week:

In English we will be planning, writing and editing a story. This will be the focus for every English lesson next week and will be a gradual process. We will talk about the different parts of a story and the children will be able to choose what their story is going to be about.

In Maths we will be partitioning numbers up to 100 and solving problems involving this knowledge.

In Science we will be exploring how we can change the shape of different materials by squashing, twisting, bending and stretching them. We will be investigating if these materials can be returned to their original shape.

In topic we will be exploring castles in the UK and discussing the similarities and differences between them.

In RE we will continue our unit on 'Why do Christians go to Church' and will think about the importance and significance of Sunday service.

In Art we will be linking our Science learning on materials to our Art work. We will be considering how mixing nature and man-made materials can be effective in creating pieces of Art. We will begin to learn about continuous drawing - where we observe and draw without the pencil lifting off the paper!

Whole Class-Guided Reading: our text will be *Tilda Tries Again*. This book explores developing resilience and a growth mind set.

Please remind your child to change their reading books as and when they need to. We will remind them too!