

Elm Class Newsletter Summer 1

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope everyone has had a lovely Easter break and are feeling well rested for the start of the Summer Term!

Reminders:

- The children will need to come to school with a coat – even if it sunny in the mornings the weather can be very unpredictable!
- Children should bring a water bottle to school each day.
- **Reading books** to be brought into school on **Fridays**. Children will receive their new books each Friday. We do allocate Teaching Assistant time on Fridays to change books so it isn't always possible to change forgotten books on other days.
- Copies of spelling letters can be found on our class page on the website. Spelling tests will be every **Friday**.
- Weekly homework will recommence this half term.

Important Dates

- Tuesday 22nd April – school re opens
- Wednesday 7th May – Elm Class assembly 9am

Summer 2 - Curriculum Information

English Our new class text is 'The Tin Forest' by Helen Ward. It is a beautiful and poetic fable written about an old man who lives in a Tin Forest, otherwise known as a rubbish dump of unloved things, nobody wanted anymore. This book will provide many writing opportunities including writing in role, book reviews and creative writing.

Maths Most of this half term will be spent on fractions. The children will be learning how to count on and back in tenths, recognising and writing fractions of numbers and amounts, showing simple equivalent fractions, adding and subtracting fractions and comparing and ordering fractions with the same denominators. We have set the children the following times tables on TTRockstars: 2, 5, 10, 3, 4 and 8. Please encourage your child to access TTRockstars at home – a few times a week for 5 minutes if possible!

R.E. This half term, children will be looking at ‘What kind of world did Jesus want?’

History- This half-term we will build on our knowledge of The Romans from Spring 2. We will learn who Boudicca was, how Romans protected their land and what The Roman Empire achieved.

P.E. Our PE days are Tuesday and Wednesday. Please ensure your child has a full PE kit in school and long hair should be tied back.

Science Our new science unit is plants. The children will be identifying and describing the functions of the following parts of flowering plants: stem/trunk, roots, leaves and flowers. We will also be looking at what plants need to grow, exploring the basic parts of a flowering plant’s life cycle and investigating how water is transported within plants.

PSHE This half term we will be looking at Being My Best.

French The alphabet, talking about brothers and sisters and naming family members.

Music Jazz

DT Structures: Constructing a castle.

Finally, please do not hesitate to contact us if you would like to discuss any issue regarding your child.

Thank you for your continued support,

Elm Class Team