

Teddy's Class Summer Term Newsletter

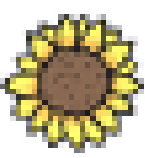


Dear Parents and Carers,



I would like to start by saying a huge thank you for welcoming me into the school. I feel truly happy and privileged to be here, teaching such an amazing class. The children have been a joy to teach, and I am really excited about all the wonderful learning experiences we have ahead this Summer Term.

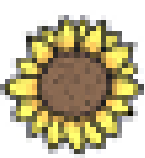
Phonics event



Parents are invited to come and watch a phonics session on Monday 18th May at 9.05am for approximately 30mins. This will hopefully build understanding of how phonics is taught and help parents support learning at home by clarifying terminology and expectations.



Music Event:



On Thursday 21st May, we will be attending a music event at Winkleigh, which is very exciting. We will be asking for volunteer drivers in the coming days and more information will follow.

What We'll Be Learning This Term:



English:



This term, we will continue to build on our phonics skills, learning new sounds and developing our reading and writing.



Science:



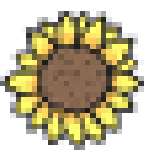
We will explore the fascinating world of plants and how they grow. The children will also learn about influential scientists and their discoveries.



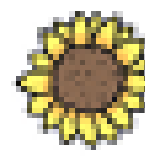
History:



Our topic this term is *Significant Individuals – Explorers*. The children will learn about famous explorers such as Christopher Columbus, Sir Francis Drake and Neil Armstrong.



Geography:



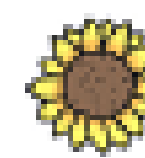
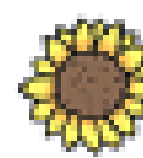
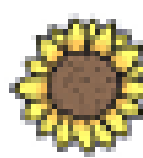
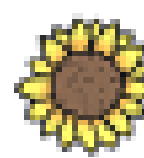
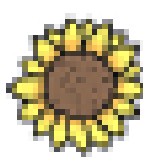
We will be travelling *Around the World*! Children will learn to identify the seven continents and explore key geographical features of different countries.

Art:

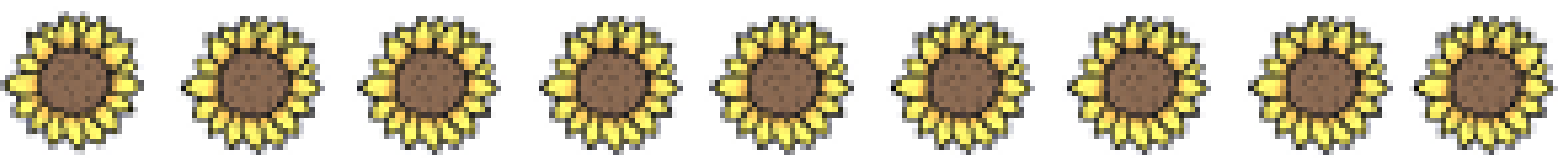


In Art, we will be inspired by Kandinsky and his abstract work. The children will create their own pieces in a similar style.

Design and Technology (DT):



The children will design and make their own healthy sandwich snacks. This hands-on project will help them explore healthy ingredients, understand balanced meals, and practise food preparation skills. At the end of the project, we will invite parents to join us for a picnic where the children can share their creations.



Religious Education (RE):

This term, we will explore how we should care for the world and the importance of looking after our environment. We will also learn about the good news that Jesus brings, focusing on values such as hope, love and kindness.



PSHE:

We will focus on Relationships (feelings and emotions) and Health and Well-being (growing and changing), helping children understand themselves and others.



PE:

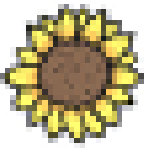
In PE, we will focus on Quick Sticks (an introduction to hockey) and Athletics in preparation for Sports Day.

Please ensure your child wears their PE kit on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.



Phonics Screening Check:

In June, all Year 1 children will take the Phonics Screening Check. This assesses their ability to blend and decode sounds by reading 40 words, including real and made-up words. Regular reading at home will really help support them.



Reading:

Your child will bring home a phonics book they are already familiar with. Please continue to read with them at home to build fluency.

Reading records will be checked weekly on Wednesdays—please remember to sign and comment. Books and records should be brought in every day.



If you have any questions or would like to discuss your child, please don't hesitate to get in touch. I look forward to a fantastic Summer Term with Teddy's class.



Warm regards,
Miss Harmer
Class Teacher

