



PUTTING THE FUN BACK
INTO LEARNING!

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome Back

Welcome back! We hope you all had a restful break with your families. It is so lovely to see the children refreshed and ready to learn. Please ensure your child arrives to school on time. We are in our final term now and the children will be learning to work more independently. If your child has continuous absences this can affect their progress. We are excited for an engaging and creative term of learning.

KG2 Parent Show

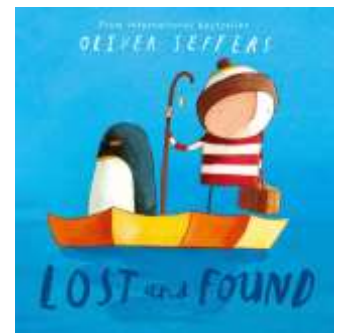
This month, we will be preparing the children for our 'KG2 Parent Show'. The children will be working with their class to perform a song, dance and poem about one of the 4 Seasons. This links with our Science unit this term, Seasonal Change. We would like to invite you all to watch your children perform on **Wednesday 12th May at 12:35pm**. The performance will last around 1 hour and it would be fantastic if you are able to attend to see all the wonderful things we have learned. Your homeroom teacher will send you a copy of the songs, readings and any costumes needed. This is a great way to end our year in KG2 and the children will have lots of fun. A letter will be sent home at the beginning of May. We look forward to seeing you all there.

Stationery

As we are in our final term, stationery is running low in most classes. Please can you ensure your child is fully equipped with a full pencil case. The children are becoming more independent and responsible for looking after their own things. It is great if they can replenish their pencil cases and be responsible for taking care of their property.

English

This month, we will be introducing the story 'Lost and Found' by Oliver Jeffers. This is a lovely story about a penguin who knocks on a little boy's door. The little boy thinks that he is lost and goes on an adventure to take the penguin back to the South Pole. As they reach the South Pole, the little boy notices that the penguin is still sad. He leaves the penguin to return back home and feels very guilty along the way. Eventually, the little boy realises that the penguin was not lost, he was sad and lonely. The little boy sails back in search of the penguin. The penguin and the little boy become great friends and travel back home together.



The children will be learning the story through actions and drama and will begin to create a story map to retell the story. They will then change one of the characters in the story and rewrite their own version. This term, we expect the children to be able to form simple sentences independently. We

encourage adventurous vocabulary, a variety of punctuation and use of connectives (and, but, so, because, first, then, next).

Maths

In Maths, we are recapping our learning on Place Value. The children have been learning to read and write numbers to 100 and we have been practising this using a 100 square to support. The children will become more confident in splitting numbers into the hundreds, tens and ones grid and show numbers using ten towers and one cubes. Please practise reading and writing 2 digit numbers up to 100 at home with your child. You can ask your child; 'How many tens does this number have?' 'How many ones does this number have?'



Later, we will begin our Multiplication unit by learning to count in 2's, 5's and 10's. The children will learn the pattern of counting by these groups and begin to count forwards and backwards. We will learn through songs and rhymes to ensure that it is memorable for the children. This is something you can reinforce at home. Multiplication skills are very important and are taught in all year groups.

Science

During this month, we are introducing our final unit, Seasonal Change. The children will be focusing on one season each week and they will be taken through the seasons through practical learning. For example, for Summer we are learning about sun safety and the weather. The children will be taken on an outdoor picnic and can wear sunglasses and sunhats. For Spring, the children will be leaning about new life and growth. The children will be taken on a Spring walk in wellington boots and carryout an investigation into growing plants from seeds. We have lots of exciting lessons planned to allow the children to experience the 4 Seasons, Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter.

We will also be preparing for our Parent Show all about the 4 Seasons. As explained, your homeroom teacher will update you with any details of songs to practise and costumes needed.



Topic

This term, we are introducing our DT unit, Food and Nutrition. The children will have the chance to follow instructions and gather ingredients to cook a specific dish. Your homeroom teacher will send you a list of the ingredients your child will need to bring to school each



week to join in with our cooking classes. It is important that you share with your teacher any allergies your child may have or any objections you may have to your child tasting and handling different foods.

Bug Club

<https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk> (user name and password required from homeroom teacher – Bug Club)

Please actively use this website to listen to your child read every day. Please encourage them to answer the questions by clicking on the bug within the text. Please contact your homeroom teacher if you need any further information or support.



Websites - Below are some useful websites which you can use at home. There are lots of games which you can play together with your child, to consolidate our Maths and English learning.

Phonics/ English

<https://www.activelearnprimary.co.uk> (user name and password required from homeroom teacher – Bug Club)

<http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks1/literacy/phonics/play/>

<http://www.abcya.com>

<http://www.busythings.co.uk>

Maths

http://www.abcya.com/number_bubble_skip_counting.htm

<http://www.sheppardsoftware.com/mathgames/earlymath/BalloonPopSkip.htm>

<http://www.ictgames.com/fishy2s.html>

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Many thanks for your continued support.

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