

Exciting events to look out for...

Sponsored Bounce: Friday 23rd February

Marlborough College concert: Friday 23rd February

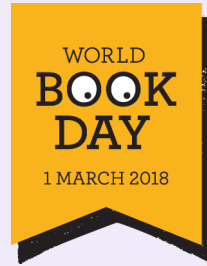
World Book Day: Thursday 1st March

Sport Relief: Friday 23rd March

Easter Egg Hunt: Thursday 29th March

End of Term 4: Thursday 29th March (finish at 1:15pm)

Start of Term 5: Monday 16th April



Dropping off

From next Monday 26th February we will be expecting children to come in by themselves.

This means parents and carers will need to say goodbye outside of the classroom in the mornings and children are responsible for bringing their own things inside the classroom. This is to foster their independence and help to make them more organised!

If you urgently need to speak to the class teacher please do come in or make an appointment to see us after school. Thank you for your support.

All Around Us



Year 2

Badger and Fox Class

Spring Term 2 2018

Questions to Explore

English:

This term is going to be a very exciting one because as a year group we are going to change the way we are teaching our reading and writing. Instead of small group reading we will be teaching it as a whole class so we can ensure consistent, high quality teaching and discussion of texts. We will start by reading the much loved story of Dogger by Shirley Hughes for our story with a familiar setting and then move onto a non-fiction text on badgers. We will also be learning about the Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch and poems about the sea.

Maths:

Our main focus for this term will be developing our understanding of both 2D and 3D shapes, fractions and measures. We will also be reinforcing and improving our knowledge of numbers and place value and our addition and subtraction skills. Get ready for lots of fun maths using resources, playing games and solving problems. **Help your child to learn their fractions by looking at halves, quarters and three quarters, great when eating toast, fruit or pizza!**

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Science:

Scientists at the ready — we will be investigating animals and their habitats. We will start by looking at what is alive, what has never been alive or what was once alive. We will then move onto looking at different habitats and what creatures live in them, including the micro habitats of minibeasts.

Have you got any non fiction books about animals to share?

Geography : We will be exploring our local area through the use of maps and simple compass points. We will then contrast this with coastal areas and explore coastal vocabulary. Have you visited the coast? Do you have any photos?

RE: We will be exploring the Easter Story and thinking about why Easter matters to Christians.

ICT: We will be learning all about coding this term and playing lots of fun games to help us practise this tricky skill.

PE: we will be using what we have learnt about basic gymnastic shapes to link movements and create our own sequences.

Music:

We will be learning sea shanties and songs and even having a go at composing one of our own!

Art/DT:

We will be making Easter art ready for our cards and helping the Lighthouse keeper to keep the boats safe!

What is your address?

What do you know about badgers?

Have you been to the coast?

What shapes can you see around you?

Find out something about badgers....

HOMEWORK

Homework is important as it consolidates your child's learning.

Appropriate, differentiated English and Maths homework will be given out on a Friday and will be due in on the following Wednesday.

There is an expectation that all homework will be completed so if you are unsure about any aspect of the homework please talk to a member of staff.

READING

Hearing your child read is **vitaly important**. The expectation is your child reads **at least 3-4 times a week** and they will be rewarded with a house point each week that this is achieved. Please continue to hear them read and **discuss** their books every day. **Children who read for pleasure are more likely to achieve well at school so share bedtime stories and visit the local library.**

Books will be changed on ANY day so please encourage your child to put their reading books and diary in the 'book changing' box in their class for them to be changed with the TA. We would warmly welcome any parent volunteers to hear readers.