

Summer Newsletter Class 2



Welcome back to what will hopefully be a term full of sunshine and lots of opportunities to get outdoors. This term our overarching theme is All around us! We will focus on Brandesburton and the surrounding area the history of the village and current and future developments. If you have any books, maps or resources at home that would be suitable for our display, we would be very grateful to borrow them. We hope to be busy growing things, sketching things, collaging things and investigating the local environment to learn about Brandesburton past, present and future.

This term we will be focussing on:

History - History of Brandesburton, Brandesburton Hall and the old hospital, how our school has changed over time.

Science - Plants, animals including humans

P.E. - Developing skills for athletics

Art - The work of Anthony Goldsworthy and William Morris.

D.T. Creating healthy party food

English- We will start the term off by recapping on some year two grammar and spelling then we are going to do a recount topic based on the books 'Diary of a wombat' and 'Diary of a baby wombat' by Jackie French.

We are also in the final stages of planning a school trip for KS1 to hopefully take place just before half-term. Details to follow!

SATs: We will be undertaking SATs testing from week commencing 7th May onwards and will complete all testing before half-term although there is no set timetable as there is with the year 6 SATs. All class two children have undergone similar assessments each half-term and are familiar with the format. The tests contribute to an overall teacher assessment of attainment, but the majority of evidence comes from work that is and has been completed in the day-to-day lessons in the classroom. All we ask is that the children try their best. Please do see me if you feel that your child is becoming unduly worried about the tests so that we can reassure them together.

P.E. Arrangements for P.E. are unchanged and it is preferable if children have a kit that they can bring on a Monday and leave in school all week. (This also helps if they fall over at playtime etc as they have something to change into). Most sessions will be outdoors this term weather permitting so pupils will need trainers for all sessions.

Monday morning: Children need to hand in their homework book, spelling pack and reading log on a Monday morning. Reading books are now organised into colour bands rather than stages and children will be responsible for changing their own book. Reading logs will still be checked by an adult to ensure that they are reading regularly at home.

Homework: Written homework will continue to be sent home as appropriate in the red homework book. Please encourage your child to attempt all homework set. In addition, children should know or be learning their x2, x5 and x10 tables and be reading frequently.

Please send a named water bottle and cap or hat into school as the weather gets warmer and you may also want to consider sending in a named bottle of suncream.

Library time and maths games will continue each Friday with groups alternating between the two.

Kind regards,
Mrs Platten