



# Welcome to Summer 2

## Term 3b - Summer

by Mrs Bradwell

I hope you all had an enjoyable break and managed to enjoy the jubilee celebrations. Everyone has returned, re-energised and ready to learn, which is fantastic as we have a very busy half term ahead of us leading up to the end of the academic year.

I have included an outline of the curriculum for this half term for your child.

### Homework

Homework will continue to be sent home at the end of the week, which will include spellings, reading and a maths activity linked to learning in school that week. Weekly spellings are part of homework - the spelling lists for this term can be found on the yearly overview previously sent out. A look, copy, write sheet will be sent home to practise spellings and I would also like each spelling to be put into a sentence to consolidate understanding. The children will continue to be tested every Monday, before they are taught the new spelling rule for that week.

Reading books will continue to be sent home weekly and it would be very helpful to send books back on time so that your child can be issued a new book. The children have enjoyed visiting the library again and now have the opportunity to select a library book to take home each week. **I really cannot stress the impact of regular reading at home as it supports your child's progression of reading and comprehension skills.**

### Maths

Aspects of maths will be prioritised this term and the children will focus on: place value, calculations, statistics and geometry. We will continue to learn to tell the time and will revisit this each week. I would really

encourage you to support your child learning to tell the time at home using both analogue and digital clock.

### English

We have started to read *The Last Bear* by Hannah Gold and the children are really enjoying the novel so far.

This term the children will be writing for different purposes, including: a newspaper report, diary entry and a letter. The children will be writing a letter to Sir David Attenborough to explain how they have been learning about the impact of global warming on animal habitats. The children will also learn about Sir David Attenborough and write a biography.

### Science

Miss Jewett will be teaching the topic Light and Shadow.

### PE

**Our PE days will now be a Monday and a Tuesday.** We will continue to go swimming on a Monday. Please make sure hair is tied back ready for a swimming cap to be put on and that earrings are removed before coming to school on a Monday. I am really impressed with the children's attitude and determination during swimming lessons and enjoy watching their confidence grow each week and the progress they make.

On a Tuesday morning, we are lucky enough to work with an Outdoor and Adventurous Activities (OAA) coach. Please make sure your child comes to school wearing their 'outdoor' PE kit so that they are warm throughout the day. Please also make sure they are wearing sensible footwear. We ask for long hair to be tied back and all jewellery to be

removed.

### DT

Children will be looking at different types of bridges and the structures that support them. They will explore ways in which forces act on bridge structures, how they are constructed and how they are strengthened. In teams they will complete a prototype/model bridge-building challenge.

### History

We will be learning about the Ancient Greeks and their inventions and mythology.

### Spanish

Miss Forth will be continuing to teach Spanish with a focus on clothing.

### Geography

The children will explore rivers in the UK and the north east coastlines. During our trip to the beach the children will be completing some fieldwork activities linked to our geography topic.

During this half term, we will also be considering the impact global warming is having on our planet and what can be done to prevent it. We will specifically be looking at the impact on animal habitats which is the moral to our class novel.

**On 14<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> June, Class 3 will have the opportunity to be involved in forest school sessions in the afternoon.**

**I am sure we will have a very fun half term before we end our academic year ready for the summer break. Should you have any concerns, please don't hesitate to get in touch. Kind Regards,**

Mrs Bradwell

