



Bethersden Primary School



Reception Newsletter, Term 4 & 5, 2021

Key Dates

Term 4 ends 1st April 2021
Term 5 starts 19th April 2021
Bank Holiday 3rd May 2021
Term 5 ends 27th May 2021

Welcome Back!

We are so excited to have you all back in school and can't wait to see your beautiful smiles in class again. The Bumblebee Class team would like to take this opportunity to say thank you for all your support you have shown to our school and Bumblebee Class throughout our Remote Learning. We really appreciate everything you have done and the continued support at home with your children.

Wider Learning

Imagination

We will be continuing with our magical topic of Imagination. In this topic, we will be looking at fierce knights, pretty princesses, fiery dragons and castles- real and of course magical ones. This is a very unique topic as it will allow the children to explore their imaginations and believe in the impossible! We are so excited to see where the children's imagination take us.

Our Wonderful World

Our next topic is called 'Our Wonderful World'. In this topic, we will be exploring water (term 5) and safari (term 6). We will be looking at sea creatures, ponds and pollution and reading the book, 'Commotion in the Ocean'. We will be having a look at the animals from the depths of the ocean to the little creatures in our school pond. We will also be discuss pollution and how precious our oceans are. The Safari topic will give us so much opportunity to look at the differences between the animals and discuss African culture.

Maths

In maths this term, we are going to be looking at shapes, spaces and directions

We will be exploring shapes in our everyday environments and exploring how we can use different shapes to create all sorts of incredible inventions.

We will also be looking at directions to focusing on the vocabulary forward, backwards, left and right. We will also be learning how to follow a map. We will then be creating some magical treasure maps to help Zog the dragon save the beautiful princess.

Please encourage your child to explore and tell you directions at home as much as possible, which way you might be going, under, over, on top.

Read Write Excellence

In our Read Writing Excellence lessons, we will continue practising and learning new sounds, focusing on blending words and reading sentences. We will also be learning how to write sentences and for different purposes (e.g. post cards, posters etc)

Please read as much as possible with your child and encourage them to talk about what you have read together. Can you reach the top of the 'Bean Stalk' by reading 5 times? Can you also encourage your child to write little notes (e.g. shopping lists, one line diary entry, mini stories, Easter cards).

PE

We will continue to do PE on a Thursday so please make sure your child has a full PE kit in school. Please can you label all your child's PE kit and school clothes, as we will be practising getting changed independently. We are going to be looking at dance and movement. In Bumblebee class we do love a good boogie so we are so excited for this topic in PE. We will be learning how our bodies can move in different ways and explore how different music makes our bodies feel.

Information

Please can you ensure your child has a full change of clothes in their book bags.

Please can you make sure your child has a pair of wellies boots with them in school.

We will be changing books on Monday, Wednesday and Friday