

## Diary Dates:

28<sup>th</sup> February 2022- Term 4 starts  
28<sup>th</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> March- World Book week  
15<sup>th</sup> March-22<sup>nd</sup> March Book fair  
15<sup>th</sup> March- Parents Evening 3:00-6:00  
16<sup>th</sup> March- Parents Evening 3:30-6:00  
28<sup>th</sup> March- Badgers Trip- Oxford NHM  
29<sup>th</sup> March- Foxes/Squirrels Trip- Oxford NHM  
8<sup>th</sup> April- Last day of term

## This term's topic:

### Fossils

In this term's topic your child will be looking at fossils and dinosaurs. In this topic your child will explore fossils and what they tell us about history, while also looking at the life of a famous British palaeontologist and the impact of her work on the knowledge we have today.

The children will then be exploring the different time periods in which Dinosaurs inhabited the Earth while identifying the types of dinosaurs and what the possible reasons for the different time periods were.

Children will be looking at creating their own model of a fossil within Design Technology which will involve them designing and choosing the materials needed to construct it.

## Important information

All communication with class teachers is to come through the class email addresses which are below.  
[badgers@millbrook.swindon.sch.uk](mailto:badgers@millbrook.swindon.sch.uk)  
[squirrels@millbrook.swindon.sch.uk](mailto:squirrels@millbrook.swindon.sch.uk)  
[foxes@millbrook.swindon.sch.uk](mailto:foxes@millbrook.swindon.sch.uk)

Please ensure your child arrives between 8:30 and 8:45am, registration and lessons will begin at 8:45. Children are to come into the classroom independently as they have been during the last academic year and complete the Early Morning task which will be on the Whiteboard.

Please remember to bring in a healthy mid-morning snack from home.



Mr Patterson, Miss Stephenson and Mr Adams

## Homework:

By the end of year 4 pupils are expected to know all of their multiplication tables and at a competent speed of 6 seconds per question, As a result we are expecting them to practise their multiplication in both year 3 and 4 through using Timestable Rockstars daily and take part in the **garage activities and Sound Check for year 4, as they have their Multiplication check in Term 6 (WB 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022)**. There will be a weekly challenge between the three classes and the whole of KS2 so the more points your child can score the more likely their class will win a Trophy for the week.

If your child is not able to access the online activities please inform their class teacher. It is important to support your child, especially in year 4, with their multiplication tables as they are an important basis to their learning.

Wonder Words will be available on our Home learning page weekly- please use them at home within conversation.

## Reading:

It is important for your child to read a minimum of **4** times a week. It really makes a **huge** difference in all subjects. Reading records will be collected in on a Friday to count the number of reads collected as a class to count towards the Donut Stop reading challenge. Rewards will be given to those children who have read each day. It is important that your child brings their reading books in each day as we aim to give opportunities to read independently or with an adult each day.

## P.E.:

**PE will take place on the following days, please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit which should be Black Shorts/Jogging bottoms, Purple T-Shirt and Purple Sweatshirt.**



**Badgers: Tuesday and Friday**

**Squirrels/Foxes - Tuesday and Thursday**