

Welcome to Term 5

Dear Parents / Carers,

We hope you all enjoyed your time together over the Easter break. We are excited for another term of great learning experiences.

We have two new texts to share with the children – The True Story of the Three Little Pigs and Lost in the Toy Museum. We will be creating a fiction (setting description) and non-fiction (instructions) final outcome using these texts this term.

Within both final outcomes, we will show off our skills of applying our phonic knowledge whilst continuing to build upon our understanding of sentence construction and the importance of capital letters and full stops. We are continuing to build our Phase 5 sounds as part of our daily phonics teaching so perhaps you can ask your child to share the new GPC each day.





In reading we are excited to introduce our Term 5 'book cannon'. All of our reading texts are high quality, which we are sure the children will enjoy. We will be sharing a new text each week developing fluency, comprehension and a love of reading. We are also looking forward to our trip to the story book Museum in Oxford on Wednesday 14th May.















In Science our unit is 'Plants'. We will be identifying and naming a variety of common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees. They will also identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees.

We will have weekly lessons in PSHE, RE, British Values, Geography, Art, Computing and Online Safety. In Art we are going to be observational drawings.

In PE the children will be dancing. PE will continue to be on Mondays. Thank you for supporting the children by sending them into school wearing their PE Kit. They will be creating dance pieces based on the themes of weather and pirates. They will be creating movement pathways and actions to the count of 8.

In music we will continue using Charanga. During these lessons the children will learn to sing some songs as well as looking at some of the different features such as pitch and tone as part of their music curriculum.

Homework will be given out on a Friday and will be due in on the following Wednesday. Homework for this term will be phonics practice for our new Phase 5 GPCs.

Reading records will be sent home for you to annotate and sign. Each Friday, your child will be allocated an e-book- please record this in the reading record. We ask that children read at least 5 times a week to an adult. The number of reads are counted and then celebrated in assembly. Please note that we can only count a maximum of one read per day. Reading groups will continue we have made some adjustments for days and times. Please check the class noticeboards for any changes/ updates to your child's group.

Many thanks for your continued support! We look forward to sharing another fantastic term with you all!

Meet the team

Please email if there is anything you wish to discuss

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