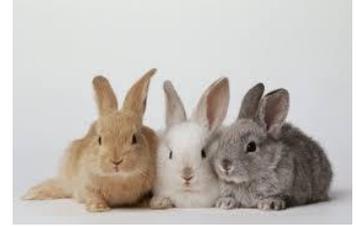




Rabbits

CLASS



NEWSLETTER

Welcome...

Welcome back to school after half term for our final term. There are lots of exciting learning times planned for Rabbits to enjoy. We have a new topic and this will be Toys, now and in the past for History. Plants, is our topic for Science

Kind regards from Miss Wood and Mrs Pooley.

MATHS

Rabbits will be working on 2D and 3D shapes and their properties, fractions of shapes and number as well as multiplying and dividing. Children will still need to be learning and reciting numbers up to 100 and beyond, alongside showing they can form their numbers correctly.

Maths homework will continue to be set weekly on Friday and is due back the following week. Ask your child what they have been learning during the week and encourage them to practise these skills at home with you.

English

This half term we will be continuing to learn new skills to help us read and write more. This will involve lots of practise with how to read and answer questions in a group, as well as learning lots more sounds and words. Our weekly spellings will continue alongside English homework, and the children will still be taught in their appropriate phonics groups. There will continue to be practise sessions for the forthcoming Year 1 phonics tests too. Home readers will also be checked twice weekly.

The texts we will be looking at are; Owl Babies by Martin Waddell, a selection of Katie Morag stories written by Mairi Hedderwick and The Adventures of the Dish and the Spoon by Mini Grey.

Timetable for the week

PE will be on a Tuesday and Friday. Please make sure that they have a named PE kit in school for these.

When children come into school, there are morning activities for them to participate in. In addition, each day there is a phonics and separate guided reading lesson as part of the English curriculum teaching.

Individual readers will be heard by MDSA's and teaching staff where possible.

Home reader books are changed twice weekly. Please sign each time you hear your child read.

Topics

Our focus for this half term are Toys and Plants.

In Science we will be planning seeds. Observing what happens to them over the term as well as finding out all about different plants including Deciduous and Evergreen trees.

In History we are studying the history of toys and how they have changed over time.

In Art & Design we are going to be studying famous artists. Using paints and pastels the children will imitate the artists.

Music will continue to look at different rhythms and styles. They will also comment on what they liked and disliked about the pieces.

In our Computing lessons will look at using 2 Simple Paint. They will be learning to edit, undo and re-do as well as saving their work.

PE will see us developing our athletics skills. As the weather is getting drier, we will be using the outdoor environment more, so please ensure all children have the correct PE kit for both inside and outside lessons. Named shorts, top and plimsolls or trainers.

RE finds us studying Christianity. Learning about Leaders and Teachers within Christianity and understanding why these figures are important to Christians.

Our Golden Rules:

Beck Row Primary Academy now has 'Golden Rules', which replace our former 'Beck Row Values'. All children will be encouraged to learn these Golden Rules and live by them whilst at school:

I use my manners.

I listen.

I put my hand up.

I help others.

I tidy up.

They are quick to learn and easy to remember. Children will move up the behaviour chart for showing these rules.

Ways that you can help your child at home this half term:

Continue to practise phonics at home with your child. If they are unsure of what sounds they are learning or their group, ask us! If you or they have concerns or they're unsure of anything, teaching staff are always available after school, or by appointment for private matters. We would rather share issues, than sort out problems!

Ensure your child has a named coat daily and their own, named water bottle as the weather is getting warmer. Water can be filled up in school.

Have a clean PE kit in school at all times. Though we have set PE slots, we do sometimes like to do additional exercise in the afternoon! Please check the size of their kit to ensure it fits correctly.

Listen to your child read and encourage them to explain what they have enjoyed about their home reader. Remember to fill in their reading planners so we know when they are ready for a new book. Tell us if they are finding their book too easy/hard or that it is just right!

Reinforce our 'Golden Rules' at home too please. We are also running a 'Reach for the stars' reward system where displays of positive learning behaviours will be rewarded with daily golden time.

Support your child's attempts at completing their weekly homework, allowing them to complete as much as possible by themselves. It will be their chance to show off to us and yourselves. Feel free to write comments once their work is finished to tell us how you think they coped.

When you are out and about look at all the different writing. E.g. street names, signs, labels in supermarkets etc. Ask your child to read them out to you.