



Squirrels Newsletter



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Dear Parents and Children,

Welcome to the Summer term of Squirrel Class. It's difficult to believe that we are this far through the school year! Here's hoping that we see the better weather that we keep being promised over the coming weeks. The children will certainly enjoy our wonderful new playground markings even more if the sun is shining!

It was great to see so many parents at our Progress Evenings at the end of last term. Communication between home and school helps to ensure the wellbeing of the children, so please do keep in touch across this final term of the school year. Information about learning this half term is attached on the overview for this half term. Also attached are the Knowledge Organisers which the children use in Geography and Science. These will give you information about the knowledge that children need to know and remember. The children have these Knowledge Organisers in their books and they fill them in as they go along, ensuring that they can recall knowledge learnt. I hope that you find these useful in helping you to discuss learning with your children and to reinforce the facts that the children need to know (the 'sticky' knowledge). Please ask if you have any further questions about this.

In addition to this information, there will also be a number of dates for this half term and next half term too concerning summer term events, so please keep an eye on the website calendar for this information.

As always, thank you very much for your on-going support, and please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further questions or concerns during this half term.

Best wishes,
Katharine McMeekan

REMINDER PE is on Wednesday and Friday afternoons, but PE kits should stay in school during the week to allow for timetable changes and visiting coaches. Children should have PE kits (t-shirt and shorts) including suitable shoes. They can also bring additional layers to keep warm during our lessons that take place outside.

Miss Kelsey Cairns (studying for her teaching qualification at Northumbria University) returned to Squirrel Class at the end of last term, and the children and I were delighted to see her again. She will be working alongside me until 18th June, teaching a variety of lessons across the curriculum. If you need to share any information with us, please feel free to speak to either of me or Miss Cairns during her placement with us.

LEARNING AT HOME

SPELLINGS: New lists and tests are both on Fridays.

TIMES TABLES: Tuesdays.

READING: Children should read at least 3 times a week at home, and regularly change their school reading books. Please remember to sign their planner to show that they have read and help them to complete their 'Book Worms'. Many are close to receiving their prize for completing this! They should have their reading book and planner in school every day.

