

Working our way to wisdom; learning our way for life.



Sapphires Class newsletter, Spring term 2



Welcome to Sapphires class in Spring term 2. We are looking forward to another busy and exciting half term ahead with our new topic 'Kings and Queens'.

Our student teacher Miss Radford will be working with us until 7th March. She has been a great asset to our team, and we wish her the best for her future teaching career.

We welcome Mrs Hewitt to our team. She will be supporting individual and groups of children in our class on a part-time basis.

Mrs Limbert and Mrs Henschcliffe

Keep in contact

Please continue to keep an eye on Arbor for any important messages. If you need to contact us, then please see me at the beginning or end of the day or send a message through the Arbor. This goes to the school office team, who then pass it on to me.

Home learning

We will change reading books on a **Tuesday and Friday**. Please try to read each book at **least twice (more if possible)** as this really develops understanding and fluency in reading. The children really do progress much quicker if they get lots of practise at home.

Please record every time you read including the title of the book and date they have read, with any comments you would like to make as this supports me in changing their books. **We will only change books once they have been read at least twice.**

Please continue to send reading packs in every day.

Library books changed on a Friday

Reminders

Please remove or cover earrings on a Friday for PE, this is particularly important for our gymnastics sessions. Please make sure all clothing is named. Please make sure long hair is tied back. Hoodies need to be plain black or navy blue. Alternatively, please send with school cardigan or jumper.

Days and dates

Our class PE day will be on a Friday this half term. Please come in PE kits every Friday

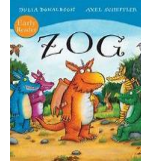
Parent's Evenings- **Tuesday 25th and Thursday 27th February**

World Book day- **Thursday 6th March** -Please see whole school letter for further details.

Reception Easter bonnet parade- **Friday 11th April 2.50pm**. Bonnets will be made in school

School trip to Ash End Farm- **Tuesday 29th April**. Our trip will be at the beginning of next half term but please keep an eye out for an email this half term with further details.

Our learning this term



English - Our key texts will be

Phonics- We will continue our Soundwrite program focusing on building longer words with 4 and 5 sounds in such as desk, slug, smell, swept and twist.

We will be supporting the children to continue to develop fluency in reading and writing sentences independently.

Maths - We will look at the numbers 9 and 10, the different ways that we can represent them and addition and subtraction within 10.

We will continue to revise number bonds to 5 and start to look at number bonds to 10

Length and height

Comparing and ordering numbers

3D shape

PE - We will focus on gymnastic skills this half term. We will explore how to jump and land safely, balancing and rolling.

Understanding the world- . Famous monarchs- now and in the past.

Looking at the celebration of Easter. Signs of Spring and life cycles

Expressive arts & design- Designing and building castles. Observational drawings of Spring flowers. Easter cards and bonnets.

PHSE- Scarf - Our whole curriculum supports the children to develop their concentration, perseverance and build relationships with others. They will also have a specific session each week from our SCARF program. The focus this term will be Being my best, covering areas such as healthy eating, exercise and sleep.