



KEY STAGE 1 SUMMER TERM NEWSLETTER 3



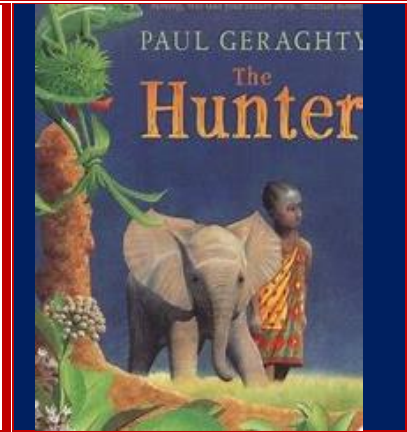
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What a wonderful, jam-packed spring term it has been. Despite only being 10 weeks long, we fit in so much learning and many additional wonderful experiences. We have really put our DT skills to the test recently with the exciting marble run challenge and our bridge construction lesson. All of Key Stage One also enjoyed a great trip to the castle where we were able to recap our learning about the history of liquorice in Pontefract. The term ahead brings even more excitement with our Forest School days, sports days, summer fair and even more trips!

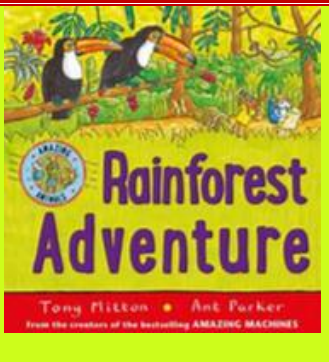
Reading, Writing, Maths and Science

This term our class books are 'The Hunter' and 'Rainforest Adventure'. We will be continuing to embed our spelling, punctuation and grammar skills when writing stories, poems, diary entries, setting descriptions and more! In maths, Year 1 will move onto multiplication, division and fractions and they will deepen their place value understanding with numbers to 50. They also learn the basics of telling the time as well as being able to identify different British coins and notes in their money topic. Year 2 will cover data handling and statistics as well as deepening their understanding of fractions. They will tackle time-telling to the nearest 5 minutes before finally covering position and directions, which includes quarter, half and three-quarter turns.



Curriculum

We are really excited for all of our curriculum learning in summer. In science, we will be learning about animals and their habitats as well as plants. This will give us the opportunity to complete two of our '50 Things' with hunting for creatures and growing a plant! In history, we will be learning about two inspirational conservationists: David Attenborough and Steve Irwin. Linked to our canon books, which both feature animals, in DT we will be making animal puppets. In PSHE, we will learn about caring friendships and communities as well as covering the important topic of keeping ourselves safe. In computing, we will recap our understanding of algorithms when using Turtle Academy, an online program.



PE Information

2S - Wednesday

1B - Thursday

1/2T - Friday

Children will come to school dressed in their PE kit on these days. Please ensure kits are fully labelled and follow the school uniform guidance.

Key dates

24th April – Y1B class assembly

23rd May – Y2 Forest School Day

w/c 10th June – Phonics Screening Checks

20th June – Y1/2 Forest School Day

27th June – Y1 Forest School Day

Homework

Homework will be sent home each week. RWI books are also changed every 3-5 school days (depending on which books they are on). As you know, reading at home, practising spellings and completing homework can have a huge impact on your child's learning and progression so please find the time each day to do this.

We also have access to TT Rockstars so your child can practice their 2, 3, 5 and 10 times tables.

Other recommended websites include Phonics Play, Phonics Bloom and Hit the Button on Top Marks.

Thank you for your continued support with your child's progress and learning.
Feel free to arrange an appointment to discuss anything if necessary.

Miss Starkey, Mrs Taylor, Mr Bayliss, Mrs Hinchliffe, Mrs Spence-Hirst and Miss Hardgrave

