



"Working Together, Learning Forever"

Dear Parent/Carer,

Please find below details of the work that your child's class will be doing during this term. I have also suggested ways in which you can help your child at home. Included with this information you will also find an overview of how we deal with behavioural issues in school.

Thank you for your support,

Mrs Meredith-Williams, Mrs Evans and Miss Scrine

Class: Year 1

Term: Summer

Theme: Teeny, Tiny Things

Main areas of study:	<p>Our topic will have geography and science focus this term. We will be finding out about teeny, tiny things and their habitats. The children have chosen to explore woodlands, gardens, ponds and seaside habitats to find out what minibeasts live there. We will be looking at the lifecycle of minibeasts and what makes them special. We will also be using Google Earth to explore our local area as well as using and creating maps.</p> <p>We will be spending lots of time outdoors therefore the children will need their own wellies/outdoor shoes and waterproof/rain resistant clothing on occasions.</p> <p>We will also be exploring the life cycle of a butterfly, a number of caterpillars will be arriving soon and we will be watching how they grow and change over time.</p>
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	<p>There will be two school trips this term so that the children can compare the similarities and differences between habitats. The first one on 21st May will be to the Wildwoods in Penllergare Woods followed by a visit to the seaside habitat at Bracelet Bay (date to be confirmed on tide times).</p>
<p>Ways in which you can help at home:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Please listen to your child reading at home every night (a Reading Diary is provided for you to make comments). ▪ We will be sending home a selection of high frequency words for your child per week. Please help your child to learn how to read and spell these at home, they will also be learning these in their daily spelling activities in school. ▪ Visit the local library to choose books relevant to the topic being studied at school e.g. minibeasts and habitats. ▪ Encourage your child to take part in daily exercise exploring their local area. This could include walking to and from school, playing in the park, visiting woodlands or the seaside as well as exploring your own back gardens. ▪ PE day is every Wednesday – Please wear gym kit to school on this day we recommend long trousers or leggings, t-shirt, jumper and trainers. P.E may take place outdoors, weather permitting, so please can you ensure appropriate clothing is worn. ALL long hair must be tied back, and ALL jewellery removed including stud earrings.
<p>Ways you can help us?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Label all snacks, drinks bottles, clothing EVERYTHING!!! • Please help your child to organise their things before entering the classroom e.g. snack, water bottle, lunch boxes and reading books on their day. • Ensure that you remain stood behind the yellow line outside the classroom. • If you would like your child to drink squash, they are only allowed to drink this at lunchtime therefore, you must send in an additional water bottle. This will be kept in class, and they can drink it throughout the day.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please make sure your child brings a coat/jacket to school every day irrespective of the weather. • If anything happens in school and we feel that you need to be informed about this, we will speak to you directly. • If there is anything you need to raise with us, please do so either in person or through Class Dojo messages. Quiet times have been set for 5pm onwards therefore any messages received after this time, will be responded to the following day.
Behaviour Policy	<p>The children decided on the class golden rules at the beginning of term, and we always refer back to these when working and playing together.</p> <p>For pupils behaving inappropriately, sanctions will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Time out on the Thinking spot • Loss of part of Golden Time • Loss of playtime

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