



Summer Term News



Welcome back! We hope you enjoyed the Easter holidays. We've got lots of exciting things to look forward to this term!

Book Changing and Reading

Thank you for all your support so far in helping your child to read. A 'little and often' approach works best and don't forget to let your child hear you reading books to them too! Just a reminder that the children change their reading books <u>every Monday</u>.

Questions to ask when reading with your child:



- How did this character feel?
- Why did that person do that?
- Can you spot a tricky word? (e.g. he, she, the, you, etc.)
- What digraphs can you see? (e.g. sh, ch, ai, ee, oa, etc.)
- What was your favourite part of the book? Why?
- What do you think happens next?
- Where is the story set?
- How did the story problem get solved in the end?

More ideas for supporting your child at home...

- Talk to your children positively about change in preparation for Year 1.
- Practice letter formation using the Little Wandle formation guide.
- Revisit and practice phase 2 and phase 3 sounds.
- Join a local library to encourage reading for pleasure.
- Continue practicing changing to and from school uniform to PE kit independently.

Well done to the following children for receiving the Spring Merit Award...

Teddie Ruddle-Potts in Blue Class Isla Harvey in Red Class Mujtaba Ali in Yellow Class



Keep up the good work, everyone in Reception ©

Transition

In the second half of the Summer term, we will be preparing children for their move to Year 1. This will be a gradual process which we are sure the children will enjoy sharing with you at home. It will include some of the following experiences:

- Using circle-time sessions to discuss worries and celebrate the exciting time ahead
- Using the Year 1 playground
- I-Spy walk around the Year 1 areas
- Spending time in the Year 1 classrooms

Supporting talk around change at home would be greatly appreciated.



Reminders...

- It is important that the children bring in their own **named** water bottle every day.
- Sun hats can be worn into school during the warmer weather.
- Please put any sun cream on your child before school. Thank you.

School Trip...

As you know, we are going on a trip to Dulwich Picture Gallery on the 14th (Blue Class) and 15th May (Red and Yellow Class). Please ensure that you have given permission on Arbor and completed the packed lunch slip by 28th April.

Our topics this term are going to be 'Glorious Gardens' and 'Amazing Adventures'.

Dates for your diary:

14th & 15th May - trip to Dulwich Picture Gallery 26th - 30th May - Half term 22nd July - End of term

