

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the Summer term! We hope you had a lovely Easter holiday.

This term we our learning theme is called 'Water'. We have started by talking about how plants grow, planting some seeds and learning what they need to live. We have learnt that water is something all living things need to survive.

We will also learn about farms, the weather, the water cycle and other places we can find water. The children have been very interested in investigating water outside and observing how it moves and changes in different temperatures.

As we move through the term, there will be lots of opportunities to develop our Understanding of the World such as looking at weather and climates in other parts of the world, as well as identifying rivers, lakes, streams, and ponds.



In Phonics we are now moving onto Phase 4. We will be reading longer words with adjacent consonants and words with endings such as -ed, -ing and -est. We will also be learning a new set of tricky words so please continue to read and practise words sent home in reading folders.

In our Literacy work we are continuing to read some traditional tales as the children have shown a great interest in role playing and retelling these stories. This has led to some brilliant speaking and writing in class. This week we have been sequencing sentences to retell the beginning, middle and end of 'Jack and the Beanstalk'.

This term in Maths we have started the unit 'To 20 and beyond'. We are building numbers to 20 – recognising the pattern that they are ten and some more. Children will look at different representations of the numbers 11-20, as well as verbally counting past twenty.

As this term continues, we will work on addition and subtraction with some simple number sentences. Then we will revisit 2D and 3D shapes to explore the results of manipulating and rotating shapes.



After a superb Easter topic, we are now moving onto 'The Ends of the Earth'. In this RE unit we will be learning about Pentecost and the story of the coming of the Holy Spirit. We will talk about going to the parish church and why it is a special place for Christians. This week we have shared the Ascension story where Jesus returned to heaven to be with God, his father.

Remember our class visit to Twycross Zoo is this term on Tuesday 5th May. Please ensure you have paid for the visit on Arbor. We are really looking forward to it!



Many Thanks,

Miss Hargrove