



Crabtree Farm Primary School

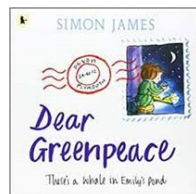
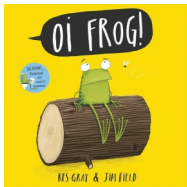
Spring Term Newsletter

Wollaton Deer, Clough and Magpies

Year 1 & 2 Information

English

To start the term, we will be reading 'Lila and the Secret of Rain'. The children will be writing their own ending to the story. We will be learning about adverbs and will be using these in our writing. After this, they will complete a poetry unit looking at a book called 'Oi Frog!' The children will also be doing lots of reading comprehension to further their understanding of their reading.



In spring 2, we will be reading a book called 'Dear Greenpeace' and writing our own letters to Greenpeace about saving animals that are endangered. We will research some of the different animals that are being affected by climate change.

Maths

This term in maths we will be focusing on:

- Addition and subtraction using number lines
- Number facts e.g. number bonds, multiplication facts and other number patterns.
- Multiplication and division using pictorial representations, such as arrays.

PE

Did you know... a good nights sleep helps children's mental, physical, social and emotional development.



In PE this term the children will practicing different balances and naming things that they are good at. They will also learn coordination skills through activities using balls. PE kit is a school polo shirt, school jumper or cardigan, black jogging bottoms or leggings and trainers. No earrings to be worn.

Welcome back, we hope you had a fantastic Christmas and New Year. We have got some very exciting things to do this term.

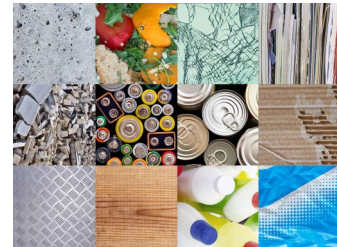
Science

Our topics for this term are:

- 'materials'
- 'uses of everyday materials'

We will start by exploring a range of materials and identifying their properties

We will then develop our knowledge by working scientifically by doing lots of investigations to find out the properties of materials and their suitability for a variety of projects.



PSHE &

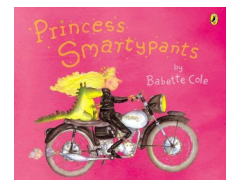
Relationships and Sex Education

In PSHE we will be learning about valuing differences and being the best version of ourselves.

In RSE we will be looking at the concept of male and female and gender stereotypes, to identify differences between males and females.

Books that you could read with your child to support these topics include-

- Happy Families, by Allan Ahlberg
- Princess Smartypants, by Babette Cole



Geography

In the spring term, during our geography work, we will be consolidating our map skills and learning about the four points on a compass. We will use directional and locational language to describe where places are. We will look at comparing the human and physical geography of where we live, to some countries in Africa.



We will also be looking at the continent Antarctica. We will look at the animals that live in the Arctic circle and how their environment is changing.



Homework and Reading Books

You have received information about the REDTED reading incentive. Reading is essential to your child's learning journey and we urge you to read at least five times a week with your child and write in their reading diaries. It is important that your child brings their reading book every day as they will be reading on a daily basis.

This year, homework will be sent out in homework books every Friday. This is due in the following Friday.

If there is any reason why your child cannot complete their homework, please inform their class teacher. It is important your child completes their homework as they will be reviewing it in class. Occasionally, homework will be sent in paper form.

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 22nd

January

Parents/Carers Open

Afternoon 1.30pm-6pm

3rd-7th February

Wellbeing Week

Tuesday 11th February

Safer Internet Day

Friday 14th February

Last day of half term

Monday 24th February

First day of half term

Thursday 6th March

World Book day

10th-14th March

British Science Week

Friday 21st March

Red Nose day

Monday 24th March

World Maths Day

Thursday 27th March

Spring Disco 4-5pm

Wednesday 2nd April

Parents/Carers' Open

Afternoon 1.30pm-6pm

Friday 4th April

Last day of term

Monday 21st April

Bank Holiday

Tuesday 22nd April

First day of the summer term



Diversity Calendar

This term as part of our whole school diversity calendar we will be learning about:

- Martin Luther-King day
- Luna New Year
- Lent (Christianity)
- Holi (Hindu and Sikh)
- International Women's Day
- National Autism Day
- Vikram Samvat (Hindu New Year)
- Ramadan (Islam)
- Easter (Christian)



Questions and Issues

If you have any questions or issues with any aspect of your child's school life, please let us know. The best time to speak to Mrs Scott, Miss Coulling or Mrs Hall is at the end of the school day when you can make an appointment to speak to them. If you wish to pass on a message in the morning, please speak to the member of staff at the door who will pass on the information to the relevant person.

