



Buttercup Class Newsletter

Spring

Healthy You, Healthy Me, Healthy Us!

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back. We hope you had a fantastic Christmas holiday with your families and wish you all a happy new year. It is hard to believe that the children have already finished their first full term at school. They have worked so hard in Autumn term and learnt so much. We hope they are rested and ready to learn even more in the Spring term. This term's topic is titled 'Healthy You, Healthy Me, Healthy Us' and will be based around healthy living and how we can look after ourselves. A topic map is attached.

Wow certificates

The children have been very proud to share their achievements from home. The wow cards have been brilliant at developing the children's confidence. Please continue to share your child's new wow moments from home by filling in one of the little wow cards. Please ask myself or Miss Brown for new Wow cards if you require them or they can be downloaded from the Buttercup class page on the school website.



Learning zoo/characteristics of learning

We are really trying to get the children to talk about how they learn best and think about good learning behaviours. In the EYFS curriculum they are called characteristics of learning. To help them do this we use the animals from a learning zoo to talk about them. The characters are listed below for your information. You could maybe write some of your wow certificates about things your children have been doing at home that link to these behaviours.

Concentrating Crocodile-I join in and concentrate

Choosing Chimp-I choose ways to do things

Slinky Linky Snake-I can make links

Proud Peacock-I am proud of what I do

Persevering Parrot-I keep trying

Go for it Gorilla-I will have a go

I know Rhino-I play with what I know

Exploring Elephant-I am an explorer

Creative Chameleon-I have my own ideas.

Clothing

Please could you ensure your child is wearing a coat to school and that they have a labelled hat and pair of gloves, as the weather is cold and we use the outside learning environment every day. This is essential in protecting against nasty colds or chills. You may also wish for your child to bring in their own wellies for the outside area as it is muddy this time of year. Please ensure that all items of uniform are named as jumpers in particular tend to get lost!

Home Learning packs and Home Learning grids

The children loved sharing their Home Learning projects with the class last term. I have included a new Home Learning Grid for our topic and this will be for the whole of Spring term. Please complete one project per half term, the first one being due the week beginning 4th February and the second due the week beginning 25th March. If you have any concerns with completing Home Learning, please come and speak to me.

Show and Tell

This term Show and Tell will be on a Monday and should be limited to items related to the Topic or of particular significance/achievement if possible!



Reading Sessions

We will continue to have our bi-weekly Snuggle with a Story and Mystery Reader sessions this half-term. This half-term we will be trailing having some Snuggle with a Story sessions on a Wednesday morning as this may be easier for some families. I have tried to include a range of days and times to hopefully include as many family members as possible.

Wednesday 16th January 8.50-9.10am - Snuggle with a Story

Tuesday 22nd January 3pm - Mystery Reader

Thursday 31st January 2.50-3.10pm - Snuggle with a story

Tuesday 5th February 3pm - Mystery Reader

Wednesday 13th February 8.50-9.10am - Snuggle with a story

I will leave a sign up sheet for Mystery Reader with Mrs Rigby in the office if you would like to surprise your child!

If you have any queries, questions or concerns please do not hesitate to talk to us. We are excited for the term ahead!

Kindest regards,
Miss Pearson