Reception Newsletter Summer Term 2025

Welcome back after the Easter break, we hope you all had a lovely relaxing time. We are looking forward to another fun filled term with the children.

<u>Topic</u>



This term our topic is split into two parts. The first half of our term is 'All Creatures Great and Small'. We will be looking at mini-beasts and farm animals. We are very excited to be able to visit Crimsham Farm to explore the open farm and learn more about different farm animals.

After half-term our topic will be 'Ocean Explorers'. We will be learning about sea creatures, beaches, mermaids

and pirates by exploring fiction and non-fiction books.

<u>English</u>

The children are all doing extremely well with their phonics and I am very proud! We have now learnt all our Set 1 and most Set 2 sounds, and are practicing reading short simple sentence containing these sounds including 'red' words. Each week your child will change their Read Write Inc book or book bag book; these are matched alongside a similar book your child would have been sharing in their phonics groups that week. These books are designed for the children to read independently and to help develop their fluency whilst reading. **Please make sure your child's sharing book**, **Read Write Inc book and reading record are in their book bag every day**. Also, encourage your child to practice reading and writing their 'red' words, these are words that cannot be sounded and need to be learnt by sight.

This term we are focusing on developing our independent writing in preparation for Year 1. We are working on correct letter formation when writing and using finger spaces when writing sentences. We will begin to focus on having an awareness of capital letters and full stops in sentences.

<u>Maths</u>

This term we are continuing to develop our maths skills through the Numicon approach. Please encourage your child to practice their number fluency skills on Numbots every week for 10 minutes. Numbots helps to support children to develop a strong number sense. Within Numbots the children will be practicing their subitising skills, number bonds and addition and subtraction facts.





PE Information



Our PE day has changed to be on **Thursday**. This half-term we are developing our game skills. Please make sure that your child comes to school dressed appropriately in PE kit on this day. This includes wearing their **house colour t-shirt**, **appropriate black/navy shorts/tracksuit**,

black/navy jumper and dependent on the weather and plimsolls or trainers. Please ensure that earrings are removed on Thursday. Long hair should be tied back securely every day. Please ensure all uniform, PE kit, book bags, water bottles and lunch boxes are clearly name labelled.

Important Reminders

Thursday 1st May – class photo

Please make sure your child comes to school in their school uniform and their PE kit in a **named** bag. The children will be changing into their PE kit ready for PE after we have had our class photos.

Thursday 8th May - VE-Day

Please see the newsletter for more details. There will be dressing up in red, white and blue and learning about WW2.

Friday 16th May – Crimsham Farm

Please make sure you have checked Parent Mail to sign the consent form and pay for our school trip. Please let me know if you are available to support on this day, I need about 5 parent helpers.

Monday 19th May & Wednesday 4th June – Reception NHS screening

A nurse will be visiting and checking the children's height, weight, eyesight and hearing.

Wednesday 18th June - Huff and Puff (am)

Children will be taking part at a sporting event at the Arena learning ball skills and a variety of games they can play to extend their gross motor skills. I will need 5 volunteers to join us for this event, please let me know if you are available.

Friday 27th June – Sports Morning

Children will be taking part in a variety of sporting activities and races; you are invited to join us and cheer on your children.

If you have any questions or queries, please catch me on the door or email the office at <u>office@bartonsprimary.school</u> and these can be forwarded on.

Many Thanks, Miss Reed, Mrs Pett, Miss Palmer and Miss Bax