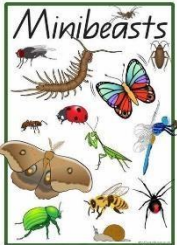


Reception Newsletter

Summer Term 2023

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.



Topic

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 Staunton Farm to explore the open farm and learn more about different farm animals. We also have workshop during our visit to learn about different mini-beasts and go on a mini-beast hunt. 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.



English

The children are all doing extremely well with their phonics and I am very proud! We have now learnt all our Set 1 and 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, 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.

Maths

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. 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 will continue 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

Tuesday 2nd May - Staunton Farm

Please make sure you have checked Parent Mail to sign the consent form and pay for our school trip.

Thursday 4th 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.

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to email the office at office@bartonsprimary.school and these can be forwarded on.

Many Thanks,
Miss Yardley, Mrs Pett and Mrs Martin