

# Summer Newsletter

Welcome back! We hope that you had a fabulous Easter holiday and that you are ready for our final term of the school year.

**Topics:** Our topic this half term is 'Growth and Change'. We will introduce this topic by discussing how we as humans grow and change. Thank you for sending in the photographs of your children as babies. If you haven't already emailed these photos, please do so as soon as possible, thank you. We will learn how other creatures grow and change and we will also explore how plants grow and change too. We will be able to experience the life cycle of caterpillars as they will be joining us in the classroom in the next few weeks. The seasons of Spring and Summer will also be a theme that will run throughout the rest of this academic year. We will be doing lots of exploring during this topic! Our final topic of the year will be 'Spectacular Stories'. We will explore many stories and we will create our own.



**PE:** We are very lucky to be welcoming back Coach Sam and continuing with our gymnastics sessions. These sessions will take place on Thursday afternoons instead of Mondays.



**Water bottles:** Please send your child to school with a water bottle everyday. We will encourage your child to drink plenty throughout the day, especially as the weather gets warmer.

**Ongoing activities to keep your child on track:**

- Practise recognising and understanding the values and composition of numbers 0-10 e.g. the number 4 can be made up of 2 and 2 as well as 3 and 1
- Talk LOTS... introduce and encourage the use of new vocabulary
- Explore a variety of texts e.g. reading books on Oxford Owl, your own story books, non-fiction books and so on (reading provides many opportunities to hear and use new vocabulary)
- Encourage independent writing at home (I would love you to send this into school for me to see!)
- Play games with your child that require turn taking, communicating, following rules and team work

As usual, Friday newsletters will be sent to you all by email or a physical copy will come home with your child. Each week you will get a new reading challenge card too. Please ensure you read the newsletters and carry out the activities shared. Thank you.

**Weather:** Although it is the Summer term, the weather is still very fickle! Please ensure that your child comes to school prepared for all weathers. Bringing a coat to school each day and applying sun cream in the morning when it is particularly sunny should protect your child from all weathers.



As always, If you have any concerns or you wish to discuss anything further, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Miss White