Year 2 - Summer Term Newsletter

Our topic for this half term is called 'Wildlife Action.' (see homework sheet for more details) Our super start week will involve lots of art and getting started on our first few tasks which are to tidy up our Outside Classroom garden and investigating the minibeasts that are out there.

Literacy

During our Literacy lessons, we will be using our topic on wildlife as an exciting way to develop our writing skills. We will be reading and writing mainly nonfiction texts.

In Writers Workshop we will concentrate on creative writing using the film 'A Bug's Life' as our stimulus.

Ideas to support our Literacy work at home:

- Please continue to read together everyday.
- Learn the exception words off by heart.

Science

This half term we will be:

- Looking at how most living things live in habitats and describing how different habitats provide for the basic needs of different kinds of animals and plants, and how they depend on each other
- We will identify and name a variety of plants and animals in their habitats.
- We will describe how animals obtain their food from plants and other animals, using the idea of a simple food chain, and identify and name different sources of food.

ICT

- We will use ICT to research and present information, including photograph/pictures.
- We will teach the safe, respectful use of technology (this will be done in esafety week which is the first week back at school)
- We will continue with writing and debugging simple computer programmes.

Key Dates

- Tuesday 6th June class photos
- Friday 23rd June 2pm 4pm open afternoon
- Thursday 29th June 9:30 am St. Peter's Day Service
- Friday 30th June sports day
- Monday 3rd July reserve sports say
- Saturday 8th July PTA Festival
- Monday 10th July report drop in
- Friday 14th July last day of clubs
- Wednesday 19th July new to Year 3 welcome evening
- Friday 21st July last day of term ©

<u>Maths</u>

This term our Maths work will focus on;

- Multiplication and division
- Fractions
- Reasoning and problem solving
- Revisiting measure
- Telling the time in 5 minute intervals.

Ideas to support our Maths work at home:

- Practise the 2,5 and 10 and 3 times tables together at home.
- Continue to support last term's work on telling the time, particularly on analogue clocks, working on telling the time in 5 minute intervals eg ten past two.

Geography

We will be linking our geography work to our work in science by plotting where we have found certain invertebrates on field sketches, and by following maps. We will take photographs of habitats and learn how to label them correctly.

Art

During our Art lessons we will be making a huge papier mache caterpillar for our classrooms. Later on we will be doing some close observational drawings of minibeasts.

P.E

Please note, P.E. lessons will continue on a **Tuesday and Friday afternoons**. We will be continuing with bat and ball skills and athletics.

R.E

We will be learning about the importance of the church, how and why Christians worship, and what it means to be a Christian.

PSHE

We will be looking at where our money comes from and how we can raise money for a good cause. We will also be covering sex and relationships (letter to follow.)