

Stubbings Infant School Acorns Class Newsletter April 2023

Dear Families,

We hope you had a lovely Easter break. Welcome to all our new children and families we are really looking forward to getting to know you.

Our new theme is: 'What makes things grow?' We will be thinking about growing and changing. The children will learn and explore what helps plants, vegetables, flowers, and themselves grow. They will be planting seeds and caring for plants. They will learn what living things need to help them change and survive through stories like 'Ten seeds' by Ruth Brown and 'Waiting for Wings' by Lois Ehlert.

In maths, Nursery children will focus on counting skills and Reception children will gain a deeper understanding of numbers to 20. We will all work on our subitising skills (the ability to look at a small number of objects and instantly recognise how many objects there are without needing to count), and we will be learning to match, rotate and manipulate shapes. It's going to be a busy term!

On Friday mornings we will be enjoying woodland walks and activities with Ms. Dear and we will be looking for seasonal change. **We will need 2 parent helpers each session so we can walk to the woods**. Please see the sign-up list in the classroom or message me on dojo.

How can you help?

Please ensure Reception children have their reading book in school every day.

Please place library books to be changed in your child's drawer. They will be changed on **Wednesdays.**

Please dress your child in suitable clothing for climbing, jumping etc. on a Wednesday so that they can access the PE apparatus in the hall

Reception children have a PE lesson on Thursdays and need a named PE kit in school (a pair of navy or black shorts, white Tee shirt and a pair of pumps.) This can be purchased from the school office if you wish.

Please provide, some spare clothes in a named bag in case of little accidents, wipes and nappy bags to place wet clothes in.

On 'Woodland Wonders' days (see dates below) please bring in wellies and wet weather clothing such as waterproof trousers and a waterproof coat. You will also need a carrier bag to put muddy clothes in and a pair of shoes to change into.

If you have any resources at home that you feel may be useful e.g. fiction and non- fiction books to support our learning, then please do bring them into school.

Please feel free to ask if you have any questions, we are always happy to help.

Ms Baily and the Acorns Team.



Dates for your diary:

Woodland Wonders Summer Term 1

- Thursday 20th April
- Friday 28th April
- Friday 5th May
- Friday 26th May

Great News Assemblies

- Friday 21 April
- Friday 5th May (Claire Tooth Education Mental Health Worker coffee and chat after assembly)
- Friday 19th May

Other Dates

- 26th April Parent consultation meeting Drugs and Alcohol teaching scheme for children in Reception – Year 6 scheme consultation. 9.00 am at Stubbings and 6pm at Riverside
- 1st May Bank Holiday
- 8th May Bank Holiday
- 11th May Reception children height and weight measurements
- 26th May School closes for half-term
- 5th June school reopens

