



Welcome to Butterflies Class Spring Term Newsletter!



Welcome Back! We hope you all had a lovely Christmas, and are looking forward to the New Year.

Now that the children are familiar with the daily routines, we can see them developing independence and resilience when completing a range of tasks. We continue to be amazed at how engaged the children are with their new learning and how they confidently apply new skills throughout the school day.



Themed Learning



Our themed learning this half term is 'Long Ago', in this theme we will learn about growth and change. Thinking about how we have grown and changed since we were babies and how life in the past was different from today.

Maths

This half term we continue with the White Rose Mastery approach. The children build on their learning from earlier steps through the use of songs, rhymes, mathematical resources and practical games and activities. Our units this half term include introducing zero, representing and subitising numbers 0-8, finding 1 more and 1 less and exploring and comparing length and height.



P.E



Butterflies Class P.E sessions are on a **Wednesday** and **Thursday**.

This half term we will be developing our physical skills through gymnastics and dance. Please ensure your child has a named PE kit in school, hair is tied back, and earrings are taken out before school.

Phonics

We will continue to engage in daily structured phonics sessions.

This half term we will be learning Level 3 sounds through a range of engaging activities following the Government accredited Twinkl Phonics scheme. There will also be opportunities for the children to use their phonic knowledge when writing and reading throughout the day.



New sounds will be introduced each day and then consolidated at the end of the week. We will send home regular sheets to inform you of the sound we are working on that includes activities and tasks to help support learning at home.



Class Dojo is both our main learning platform as well as our primary method for communication across the school. We use it daily to keep you informed about what your child is learning as well as what and how they are doing through updates, photos and commentaries, which you, as parents, can comment and add to.

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