

# Weekly newsletter: 26<sup>th</sup> April 2019

### **Important dates**

6<sup>th</sup> May – School closed for Bank holiday 16<sup>th</sup> May – Class and whole school photographs

### **News from Pioneers**

It has been lovely to see all the Pioneers again and to hear all their holiday news. The children are excited about their new project "The Great Fire of London." This week we learnt about how it started in a bakery in Pudding Lane and so we have been bakers and made bread. If you can help your children to find out more about this historical event on line, at the library etc that would be really helpful. See the parent information sheet on the wall for more details about our project.

We also finished off our Maths topic on weight by exploring useful measures of kilograms and grams. I gave the children a challenge to see how many places at home, at the shops, at the gym etc they could find these measures. It would be great if you could help them to do this so that they can see maths in action!

Finally, some children may have some counting sheets coming home next week to help them practise counting forwards to 100, backwards from 100 and in 2s, 10s and 5s. Do ask us if you have any questions about this. Many thanks.

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## **News from Explorers**

Welcome back to our lovely explorers! We hope you had both a restful and exciting break. We are so ready to start our learning in our final term of year R, time flies when you are having fun!

After a week of settling back in and talking and writing about our holidays we will be getting our teeth into out topic "From farm to fork". Over the next 2 weeks we will be reading the story "What the ladybird heard" which is set on a farm and written by one of our favourite authors Julia Donaldson. We will be learning facts and information about ladybirds and writing some of our own, look out for these on our super work washing lines. We will also be making use of all of the Easter egg boxes to junk model some tractors.

We are excited to tell you that on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June we will be visiting Longdown Activity Farm in the New Forest. Miss Pollard went there in the Easter break to plan our visit with the farmer and what a day we will have! We will be feeding and handling lots of animals, collecting eggs, playing in a real barn and if the weather is good the farmer is going to take us for a ride on his tractor and trailer! Letters will go out soon with full details but we cannot wait for this experience.

If anyone is having a clear out of any old kitchen utensils or 'play food' we would be very grateful for any donations. PE is continuing to be on a Wednesday and Thursday (alternate) and when the weather allows we will be going outside. Reading is on a Monday (Tuesday if there is a Bank holiday) and it is imperative that children have their books so we can continually assess them and make sure they are on the correct level. Can we also suggest as the weather gets warmer that children have suncream applied before school, especially to their faces. Many thanks.

## **Celebrations**

#### Children who arrived on time and every day for last week are:

Ajani, Zackariya, Seth, Alicia, Shanaya, Elsie, Dylan, Aryah, Nevaeh, Luca, Kian, Janae, Joshua, Maya, Jolie, Scarlett, Jiayan, Viktorija, Aarna, Ava-Mae, Tabitha, Cashmere, Mayli, Alexia, Aadi, York

Hawra, Adriana, Siyana, Khadija, Annabelle, Selma, Henryk, Caitlyn, Laith, Ruby, Talea, Jaiden, Rachel, Melissa, Kayden, Daniel, Lya, Izabelle, Jasmine, Malachi, Blake

### Lovely hats/certificates have been presented to:

#### Jiayan and Lya

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