



# KIRTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

## TERM 5 NEWSLETTER 2019



### RECEPTION

April 2019

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back. We hope you had a lovely Easter holiday. The summer term has arrived and we will be looking to do lots of exciting things and taking full advantage of the warmer weather.

#### **Our Topic**

*Term 5: Let's Look Outside*

We will be growing lots of different plants and spending lots of time outside observing changes and exploring our natural environment.

#### **Maths and English**

In maths lessons, children will be learning about: symmetrical patterns, finding one more and one less from a number from 1-20, and continuing to solve addition and subtraction problems.

In order to support your child, you could look for objects around your house that are symmetrical. You could have a teddy bears' picnic, and use food or objects to find one more and one less than a number.

In English, we will be learning about: writing letters and diaries, making predictions for stories and using books and technology to find and record factual information.

In order to support your child, you could write a diary about the weekend. You could explore non-fiction books to find information about nature.

Please encourage your child to read at home every day and ask them questions about what they are reading at every opportunity. We aim to change books regularly.

#### **PE**

Our PE days are Monday (**Chicks** and **Owlets**) and Friday (**Eaglets**). Please continue ensure that your child has the appropriate PE kit. Now that the weather is getting warmer, we will be taking part in outdoor PE sessions. For outdoor games, the children need plain black/navy tracksuit bottoms, a plain white t-shirt, a plain sweatshirt and trainers. For indoor PE, the

children need plain black/navy shorts, a plain white t-shirt and plimsolls. Every item needs to be clearly labelled and in a bag that will remain in school every day. Kits will be taken home to be washed at the end of each term. No items should be taken home during the term.

#### **Warmer weather**

As the weather is getting warmer, children will begin to bring hats into school. Please ensure that these are clearly named. Sun cream must not be brought into school as it cannot be applied at school. If necessary, sun cream should be applied at home before coming to school. Your child may bring a water bottle to school. Please ensure the bottle is clearly named and contains only water.

#### **Homework**

Homework is sent home on a Friday and will continue to support your child's education. This will have either a Maths or an English focus and is linked to what we have been learning about during the week. If there are ever any problems about the homework, please come and see us as soon as possible. It was great to see the children's enthusiasm for their homework last term. We hope that you are enjoying using your English and Maths challenge sheet at home. We always like to see any activities the children have completed at home. Please encourage your child to bring this in to share with the rest of the class.

#### **Important Dates**

06.05.19 – May Day Bank Holiday  
20.05.19– 24.05.19 – Sponsored Walk to take place in school  
24.05.19 – Last day of term 5  
03.06.19 – First day of term 6



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HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S LEARNING THIS TERM:

Key things parents can do to support their child this term related to things they will be learning about:

- Go for a walk and compare how flowers and plants are growing.
- Have a go at completing the symmetrical patterns with colours and shapes.  
<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/symmetry/symmetry-matching>
- Make a collage of objects found outside, using leaves, sticks and petals
- Go on a minibeast hunt and write down how many of each minibeast you find. Which did you find most of?



Yours sincerely  
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Reception Class Teachers