



# Newsletter – Spring Term

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to school for the Spring term. We hope you all had a lovely Christmas and New Year, even though it feels like a long time ago. The children worked very hard last year and have returned back to school this year with a great attitude towards their learning. We are very proud of all their achievements and the progress that they are continuing to make. We must thank you for all your hard work with your child at home and your dedication to school.

This term our topics are 'Spring has Sprung and Deep in the jungle'. This is a topic which the children really enjoy. Miss Yassin and Mrs O'Riordan.



## RE

The focus of this term's R.E work is 'Special people' we are looking at special people in our lives that are there to help us. We will also look at new life and how things start to grow in the spring. We will talk about how to look after God's world as it grows and we will look at how we will grow as we prepare for Lent.

## English

### Phonics

This term in FS2 we will be teaching phase 2 and 3 phonics.

This will concentrate on digraphs children need to learn to develop their reading and writing skills.

Year 1 will be focusing on phases 3-5 phonics and will be preparing for the phonics screening which will be in the summer term.

### Reading

If your child has a reading book please make sure you write in their reading record every time they read their school book at home. Reading at home really helps your child to improve quicker.

### Writing

This term we will be having a big focus on writing. FS Children need by the end of the school year to be able to write a sentence that can be read by themselves and others. It can be phonetically correct not necessarily all spelt correctly. EG. I can see an elefant.



## Maths

Our main focus in maths this term will be place value, addition and subtraction. FS2 children will need to be able to recognise and order numbers to 20. Year 1 within 50. We will also look at measurement including length and height, weight and volume. We will also concentrate on counting in multiples of 2,s and 5's and 10.s.

## Computing

We will be developing our knowledge and skills on how to use various computer programmes.

## PE

This half term we are very lucky and have a dance teacher that comes in to school every Monday. We are focusing upon our jungle themed topic and learning various dance moves. We will also be looking at balancing, moving over and under and jumping.

***Please ensure all PE kits are in school ASAP. Our PE day is a Monday***

Please ensure all items of clothing; PE kits as well as uniform, are labelled with your child's name or initials. We have had a lot of jumpers, cardigans etc go missing, but without names on there is very little chance of getting them back to the correct owner. Could you please check your child has their correct clothing and send anything that is not theirs back to class.

Marvellous me If you have not yet accessed the Marvellous Me app, please see a member of the team for your code so you can receive messages about your child's learning. Thank you.

