



Information for the Summer Term 2023



Welcome to Badgers and Squirrels classes

Here are some snippets of information to let you know about the things we will be doing this term in our classes.

Maths	Counting, understanding hundreds, tens and ones, securing number facts, understanding addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, mental calculation strategies, understanding shape and space, problem solving, fractions, money and handling data.
English	We will be focusing on sentence structure, spelling, punctuation and handwriting. This will also include: lists, instructions, story writing, recounts, poetry, non-fiction texts and descriptive writing.
Science	Plants
Computing	Robot Algorithms
Geography	History of farming
DT	Learning key cooking techniques: kneading, rubbing, grating, cutting
Art	Artwork based on L.S. Lowry
Music	Music based on the four seasons: singing, creating actions and playing instruments
PE	Net and Wall, Sports Hall Athletics, Team Building and Striking and Fielding
RE	What do Jews remember on Shabbat?
PSHE	Health & Wellbeing

Topic

This term our topic is titled 'Food to Fork'. We will be looking at the where our food comes from and how it reaches our plate.

Maths

There are lots of things your child could be practising at home with you. For example, they could be learning their times tables, starting with x2, x5, x10. They could also be learning to tell the time (o'clock, half past, quarter past and quarter to). They could be identifying different 2d and 3d shapes, and counting out money and paying for items in a shop whilst working out their change.

Spellings

A spelling sheet will be posted on Class Dojo listing this terms spellings and date of test. The spellings will be linked to their current phonics phase and the sound/sounds they've been learning during the week. Most children find that using the 'Look, Say, Cover, Write and Check' method works well. You can extend their word skills by playing word games with them, such as hang man, scrabble and anagram games. Similarly, they could try to put that word in a sentence, etc.

Water Bottles

Please make sure your child has a water bottle (named at the top) in class every day. Keeping hydrated has been shown to be beneficial for health and well-being.

Warmer Weather

Hopefully the days are going to be warmer now, so please ensure your child has had sun cream applied before school and brings a sunhat.

Reading

Your child will bring home three books:

- a Big Cat decodable book
- a book of their choice

both of these should be returned on a Thursday, to be changed and sent home on Friday.

- a library book

Badgers' library books will be changed on a Tuesday, Squirrels' library books will be changed on a Wednesday.

PE

We have PE on Monday and Tuesday afternoon. The children will need a clearly labelled kit to include: a plain white t-shirt, shorts and indoor trainers AND a tracksuit and outdoor trainers. Due to limited locker space, please provide a small, named PE bag. Back packs are very bulky and we find that drawstring PE bags fit better.

PE kits do not need to go home every week - they can remain in school and go home each holiday. If kit gets grubby, we will send it home to you.

If your child has pierced ears, they can wear stud earrings; however, these need to be removed by the child before PE lessons. It is easier not to wear earrings on PE days.

If you have any questions or queries, please contact the school office and they will forward your email/phone call onto us, or send us a message on Class Dojo.

Kind regards,

Miss Vale, Mrs Sofokleous, Ms Martin, Ms Keen & Mrs Skulski