



Y2 Chestnut Class Newsletter – Term 5

Welcome back after the Easter holiday.

We hope that you have had an enjoyable and restful break. We have a wide variety of learning opportunities and experiences planned for this term and we are looking forward to sharing them with you.



English

Our text for this term will be 'Leaf' by Sandra Dieckmann. We will be learning how to use the past tense and describe settings and characters imaginatively. We will write our own story based on the text and information texts about animals.

Maths

We will be learning to read the time to the nearest quarter of an hour and revisiting money. We will also continue to practise our 4 calculations using efficient methods.



The Key Instant Recall Fact (KIRF) that we will be working on is 'multiplication and division facts for the 2 times table.'

Connected Curriculum

Our topic question for Terms 5 and 6 will be 'What can we learn from other countries in the Commonwealth?' and our focus will be DT and the Arts. Chestnut Class will be exploring music and art from India, as well as learning about the geographical features of the country. Our DT project will involve learning to make paper circuits. We will also design a celebration card linked to the Queen's Platinum Jubilee where the children will apply their skills and create a design with an LED.

PE

PE will take place on **Monday** and **Thursday**. Please ensure that your child wears the correct PE kit to school on these days. This includes a **plain** house-coloured t-shirt, plain black tracksuit bottoms/leggings and trainers. The normal Elm Park sweatshirt or PE hoodie must be worn.

Water bottles



Please ensure that your child brings a **full** water bottle to school with them every day. This is particularly important as the weather is now getting warmer.

Your child may also bring fruit or a healthy snack for morning playtime (no crisps, chocolate bars etc. please).

Home learning

We ask that you encourage your child to read at home at least 5 times per week.

Your child will also have a Times Table Rockstars or NumBots login and we would like all children to practise their mental maths facts on this 5 times per week as well.

Spelling homework will be sent home on **Mondays** on Seesaw and we ask that this is returned on **Thursdays**.



If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the office to arrange a phone call with us.

Thank you very much for your continued support.

Mrs Johnstone