



# STARLING CLASS SUMMER 1



Welcome back to Summer Term! We hope everyone has enjoyed an amazing half term break and fantastic Easter holidays (not too many chocolate eggs!).

Last half term was a really busy and fun term! Our highlights had to include our trip to Gressenhall farm, World Book Day and growing our own plants. We look forward to what's in store this half term!

## THIS HALF TERM YOUR CHILDREN NEED:



### IMPORTANT

- We are continuing to change reading books on a **Monday**, we look forward to seeing the children reading **5 times a week** to earn a star. It is important to practise their green and red words and not forgetting their set 1 and 2 sounds.
- **Forest Schools** will continue on **Monday**. Please remember appropriate clothing and footwear.
- **PE** will continue on **Friday**- we will practise for sports day this half term and be on the field.
- **Swimming** will continue for the next group on **Thursday** afternoons this half term.

## Summer Term 1 Learning:

For our next topic, we will be reading one of our favourite books, 'The Gruffalo'. Throughout the topic, the children will learn parts of the Gruffalo story and we will put actions to them. As well as the Gruffalo story, we will be reading some other amazing stories written by Julia Donaldson. The children will think carefully about the characters, settings and events in these stories and will also have a focus on rhyme.

We will be focusing closely on our sentence structure and looking out for our capital letters, finger spaces and a full stop at the end. We will continue to focus on our letter formation, ready for Year 1.

Phonics will continue daily following Read Write Inc and we encourage your children to practise their 'Fred Talk' sound blending for green words and say aloud their red tricky words. Continue to get your children to look out for these when reading a story.

In Maths, we will be securing our addition and subtraction facts and looking at number patterns e.g more than, less than and ordering to 20. Whilst continuing shape and pattern.

We will be talking about woodland animals and species and exploring our senses. We will also think about a life-cycle of an animal and changes to trees during the next few months within our seasons.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

- 14<sup>TH</sup> APRIL- FIRST DAY OF SUMMER TERM 1.
- 29<sup>TH</sup> APRIL - DENTAL TEAM IN SCHOOL.
- 4<sup>TH</sup> MAY - BANK HOLIDAY
- 11<sup>TH</sup> MAY - YR 6 SATS WEEK IN SCHOOL
- 20<sup>TH</sup> MAY- SPORTS DAY (POTENTIAL)
- 22<sup>ND</sup> MAY - LAST DAY OF TERM