



THE ROBERT DRAKE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

KEY STAGE ONE (YEARS 1 AND 2) NEWSLETTER SUMMER TERM 2023

We hope you had a great Easter and are looking forward to the summer term.



We would like to thank you all for your support in the lead up to the Easter holiday, your involvement in the parental involvement morning and your support with the trip to Layer Marney Towers. All the children looked fabulous in their costumes.



The children thoroughly enjoyed all the Easter festivities at school.

GENERAL REMINDERS

Please ensure that your child has a named water bottle with a sports cap to avoid spillages and that all other personal property is **clearly labelled** with your child's name. This includes;

- School uniform,
- Lunchboxes,
- Pots for snacks,
- A coat as the weather can still be changeable at the moment.

PE/Sport in Key Stage 1 will take place on:

NJ	Thursday and Friday
NB	Monday and Friday
WB	Monday and Friday

Please ensure your child wears their PE uniform on the above days.

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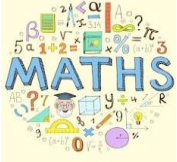
Jewellery should not be worn. Only ear studs are permitted (no hoops). Earrings must be removed before school on PE days.

SCHOOL VISIT

We are very excited to be taking the children on a school visit to Call of the Wild Zoo. While we are there, the children will take part in a wide variety of workshops. This visit will take place on Friday 23rd June. More details on this will be sent nearer the time.



CURRICULUM



In Maths we will be studying:

Week 1 Revision	Money and Multiplication
Week 2 Revision	Measure and Time
Week 3 Yr 2 SATs	Yr 1 Number and Place Value
Week 4 Yr 2 SATs	Yr 1 Number and Place Value
Week 5 Yr 2 SATs	Yr 1 Number and Place Value
Week 6 Number	
Week 7 Phonics Screening	
Week 8 Addition and Subtraction	
Week 9 Addition and Subtraction	
Week 10 Addition and Subtraction	
Week 11 Mexican Week	
Week 12 Transition Activities	



In English we will be studying:

Week 1 Easter Recount	
Week 2 Setting Description	
Week 3 Character Description	Yr 2 SATs
Week 4 Traditional Tales	Yr 2 SATs
Week 5 Assessment Week	Yr 2 SATs
Week 6 Theme Week/Instructions	
Week 7 Diary Entry	Yr 1 Phonics Screening
Week 8 Explanation Writing	
Week 9 Instruction Writing	
Week 10 Myths and Legends	
Week 11 Postcards/Information Poster	
Week 12 Letters	

This half term during PSHE we are looking at the human body. We will be learning about the importance of sleep, oral hygiene and basic first aid for cuts and bumps.



In science, the children will be focusing on the topic of All Living Things and continuing to investigate and hypothesise about food chains and habitats.

In geography, we will be learning about why penguins don't need to fly whilst learning about how different animals and plants have adapted to survive in deserts and rainforests. We will also compare Benfleet with Antarctica.



In history, the children will be learning about The Great Fire of London. They will develop their understanding of how the fire started, how it was put out and how London has changed after the event.

During computing, we will be recapping 'Online Safety', encouraging the children to be safe and aware. We will be exploring how computer games work and learning about the concept of algorithms.

In music, we will be exploring and experimenting with pitch. We will be using a variety of different genres of music to do this, from reggae to classical.



During our R.E. lessons, we will be discussing special places within a variety of religions.



In P.E., we will be learning and developing a variety of different skills that can be applied during net and wall games. We will also be developing our confidence and competence in athletics.

READING

Just to remind you that all children should be reading at home every day. Please indicate in your child's reading record every time your child reads as this is linked to a reward system in school.

Thank you for your continued support, which is greatly appreciated.

Miss Bradfield / Mr Bye / Miss Longland / Mrs Gunnell
Key Stage 1