



Earhart Class Bulletin

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Welcome back to the Summer Term!

How fast the year has gone! It doesn't seem 5 minutes since the year started and here we are now, entering the children's last term at Cranford Park.

Spring Term Highlights

Last term we had lots of fun learning all about the Ancient Greeks. We particularly enjoyed our Ancient Greek day where we took part in a drama workshop and sampled a variety of Greek food.

This Term ...

Our SATs tests will be taking place this month (the week beginning 13th May).

The timetable for these tests is as follows:

Monday 13th

Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling

Tuesday 14th

Reading Comprehension

Wednesday 15th

Maths Paper 1: Arithmetic

Maths paper 2: Reasoning

Thursday 16th

Maths Paper 3: Reasoning

During SATs week the children will be invited to come into school from

8:30am onwards to have a breakfast of toast, (with assorted spreads) and juice before the tests start.

Thank you to all the parents and carers for supporting and encouraging the children with their revision homework. This will have been really useful in preparing the children for the tests.

Our Topic's

For the first part of the term, children will be continuing their Geography topic on Dangerous Disasters, mainly focusing on volcanoes and earthquakes.

After half term, our final topic will be focusing on St Lucia. During this we will research the climate and economy as well as planning a holiday for Mr Grayson to St Lucia (If only!).

In **RE**, children will be exploring the concept of *Imagery* in Christianity.

During the summer term the P. E. curriculum will include cricket, athletics, dance and gymnastics. P.E. kit, including trainers, should be in school all week.

Secondary transition

The summer term is also a time for preparing the children for their move to secondary school. There will be opportunities for the

children to meet with teachers from their new school and ask questions. They will also spend a day at their new secondary school. Our PSHE lessons will focus on this upcoming change and support the children with the exciting challenges to come.

What equipment will my child need?

Each child will need an art shirt or overall so that their clothes are protected during messy practical sessions.



Your child will also need their **full P.E. kit every week**. This consists of: **a plain, white T-shirt; plain, bottle green shorts; trainers or plimsolls.**

Please ensure that everything is clearly labelled with your child's name and class.

No earrings or watches may be worn during P.E. for health and safety reasons. If your child is unable to remove their earrings by themselves, please supply some tape to cover them during these lessons.

P.E. will take place on the following days: **Tuesday and Thursday**

After half term we will be going swimming on a Thursday. A letter confirming the dates will be sent out nearer the time.



Homework

Homework during the first half of the term will continue to be set on a Wednesday. Work must be handed in on the following Monday.

During the second half of the summer term an extended science project will be set which your child can work on each week.

Reading

As well as reading and discussing texts during English lessons, each child has their own reading book either from the school library, the classroom bookshelf or one they have brought in from home. They will need to have their reading book and reading record with them everyday. We would be grateful if you could sign the record book each week and we welcome any comments which you feel may be useful. The children are expected to read regularly at home.



Remember, the children all have Bug Club accounts and can access a wide range of interesting texts on their tablets and computers at home.



Year 6 trips and events

Keep an eye out for more information regarding the end of year trips and events for year 6.

Thursday 20th June: Leavers service at Winchester cathedral.

Wednesday 10th July: 'Think Safe' safety training programme

Monday 15th July: Leavers service at St. Peters church. Parents welcome

Friday 19th July: Year 6 Water fight

Monday 22nd July: Activity morning and BBQ at horse shoe lake

Play Equipment

Could you please ensure that children are not using the play equipment in the school grounds before and after the school day. We cannot ensure that it is being used safely during these busy times and do not want children injuring themselves.

Uniform

Just a reminder to check that all items are still named!

We look forward to another successful term!

Yours sincerely,

Mr Grayson

Class teacher

Natural Disasters Vocabulary

We are starting to send words home at the beginning of each unit to help develop children's communication skills. Most important is that they use them orally and within sentences when talking about the half terms topic. There will be some simple words that they should be able to read and spell correctly. We will be using lots of the vocabulary throughout our topic at school and it would be beneficial if you could be talking about and using them at home too.

Anchor Words	Goldilocks Words	Step Up Words
<p><i>-Children have a thorough understanding of these words.</i></p> <p><i>-Everyday language used at home and school in daily interactions.</i></p> <p><i>-Children will have become familiar with these words through prior teaching and exposure.</i></p>	<p><i>-These are really useful words.</i></p> <p><i>-Likely to be encountered again in reading or oral language.</i></p> <p><i>-Words that are topic specific but important to the topic.</i></p>	<p><i>-Words that are particularly topic specific and less likely to encounter in daily interactions.</i></p> <p><i>- Advanced vocabulary they are likely to encounter again later on in education.</i></p>

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<p>Shake</p> <p>Fire</p> <p>Smoke</p> <p>Cloud</p> <p>Building</p> <p>Lake</p> <p>Damage</p>	<p>Core</p> <p>Earth</p> <p>Volcano</p> <p>Quake</p> <p>Ash</p>	<p>Tectonic</p> <p>Mantle</p> <p>Crust</p> <p>Magma</p> <p>Lava</p> <p>Pyroclastic</p>