



# BROOKFIELD SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you all had a good Easter break and the children are well rested. We have lots of exciting things happening over the coming weeks!

## Literacy

Our topic for the first half-term is based around a project with the Shakespeare Schools Foundation. Over the half term the children will learn about, and performing aspects of, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. We will be carrying this theme over into class by taking some aspects of the play and using them in our everyday learning. In particular, will be exploring dreams, fairies and the magical elements of the text. Our chosen texts for literacy will be based around these themes. Please check the notice boards outside the classrooms for our book of the week!

During the second half of the term our topic will be 'Under the sea' and 'Pirates'. We have a very exciting visit to the London Aquarium planned, further details to follow!

## Math

In Math this half-term we will explore capacity, money and time. We will also consolidate our understanding of numbers up to 20, particularly focusing on the teens. The second half-term of Math will be reviewing concepts we have learned earlier in the year: patterns, shapes, length/weight and position.

## Writing

This term we will be focusing on consolidating our knowledge of all the Set 1 and Set 2 sounds we have learned this year so that we can become confident writers. We write every day, practicing hearing the sounds in words, remembering how to write the sounds and putting our thoughts into sentences. There are copies of the sound mats near the parent boards for you to support your child at home.

## Reading

Please continue to make it a priority to read at home with your child daily. 10 minutes a day of your child reading to you will boost their progress enormously. If you feel that the reading books sent home need to be harder or easier, please speak to your classroom teacher.



## Other information

### \*Warm Weather

As the weather gets warmer you may wish to apply sun cream on your children before school and send them in with a hat. Although staff members cannot apply sun cream children are welcome to apply it independently.

### \*Forest School

Forest school will be continuing this half-term with RKS. We will be exploring the natural environment and looking for signs of spring and summer! Please ensure that your children are appropriately dressed on these days, they will need to continue to wear long sleeved tops and long trousers. If possible, please bring wellies for wet weather and closed toe shoes when it's dry. As it's warmer now, children will need to bring a bottle of water, a sun hat and sunscreen already applied. Parent volunteers are always appreciated. During the second half term we will have make up sessions for both RS and RKS for sessions in previous terms that were canceled.

### \*Focus Children

We will continue this term with having Focus Children each week in the reception classes. There is a schedule outside each of the classrooms so you can know when your child's focus week will be.

### \*Transition to Year 1

Details regarding transition to Year 1 will be confirmed after half term. Children will have an opportunity to meet their new teachers and visit their new classrooms towards the end of the Summer Term.

### \*Getting in Touch

You can always catch us at the end of the day to discuss any small issues. If you would like to talk in more detail, we can arrange an appointment after school or contact us by email.

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### Important Dates:

<u>April</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>July</u>
19 <sup>th</sup> Shakespeare workshops for Nursery and YR	1 <sup>st</sup> Height and Weight measures 4 <sup>th</sup> Y1 Bank Holiday Bake Sale 9 <sup>th</sup> Shakespeare workshops continue	4 <sup>th</sup> Inset Day 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Class Photos TBC Trip to The London Aquarium	7 <sup>th</sup> Summer Fair 9 <sup>th</sup> Meet new class teacher 10 <sup>th</sup> YR Sports Day 12 <sup>th</sup> Nursery and YR bake sale 25 <sup>th</sup> Last Day of Term

Regards,

The Reception team - Kate, Seren, Sus, Georgina, Elisha, Mandy, Gaby, Emily and Kayleigh

