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Dear Parents,

We hope you had a good Easter break with your families. Many children have been sharing their wonderful recycled creations and Tapestry posts. There is still time if you haven't yet had a chance to upload a photo or a video of your child.

Learning at School for this Half Term

Our topic this term is 'Amazing Animals'. As well as hatching butterflies in class, we are fortunate to have our own wildlife area in the back field which we will continue to explore with the children. To enthuse the children to learn more about minibeasts we have a visiting workshop where the children can handle some large and interesting creatures.



At the end of the Summer Term the children will have an exciting visit to Bocketts Farm. To celebrate the children's learning experiences at the end of this topic the children will perform a Creepy Crawly Concert for parents on **Wednesday 10 July** at 9:10 am followed by a Transition to Year 1 Parent Meeting with an opportunity for you to see the Year 1 classes.

Learning Opportunities for Summer 1

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| <p>Physical Development</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Hold paper in position and use preferred hand for writing, using correct pencil grip. They are beginning to be able to write on lines and control letter size ● Shows increasing control over an object in pushing, patting, throwing, catching or kicking it ● Shows understanding of the need for safety when tackling new challenges, and considers and manages some risks ● Children can hop confidently and skip in time to music ● Children know about and can make healthy choices in relation to healthy eating and exercise. They can dress and undress independently, successfully managing fastening buttons |
| <p>Communication, Language and Literacy</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Answers 'how' and 'why' questions about their experiences and in response to stories or events ● Use past, present and future forms accurately when talking about events that have happened or are to happen in the future ● They use a range of vocabulary in imaginative ways to add info, express ideas or explain or justify actions or events ● Begins to read words and simple sentences – refer to the common exception words in the middle of the reading record. ● Uses vocabulary and forms of speech that are increasingly influenced by their experiences of books ● Enjoys an increasing range of books ● Writes own name and other things such as labels, captions ● Attempts to write short sentences in meaningful contexts ● Participate in discussion about what is read to them, taking turns and listening to what others say ● Explain clearly their understanding of what is read to them |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phase 4 phonics - We will revise our Little Wandle letters and sounds and continue to read longer words. The children will also be learning some new tricky words. |
| Mathematics | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Orders, recognises and writes numbers 1 to 20 and beyond Count in 2s, 5s and 10s Problem solving https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/5-7-years/problem-solving Know number to 5 and 10 Using quantities and objects, they add and subtract two single-digit numbers and count on or back to find the answer Recognise, create and describe patterns To say which number is one more/less than a given number |

Key Dates

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| Saturday 20th April | Chase Centenary Colour Carnival 2pm-4pm |
| Saturday 27th April | Community Day 11-3pm |
| Wednesday 1st May | Minibeast Workshop - Reception |
| Thursday 2nd May | A Parent's Guide to Early Learning Goals (virtual) Workshop for Rec Parents 9:30am |
| Monday 6th May | Bank Holiday |
| Wednesday 8th May | Parent Class rep Meeting 9am in the hall |
| Friday 24th May | End of Summer 1 term – 3.20pm finish |
| Monday 3rd June | INSET Day |
| Tuesday 4th June | Start Summer Term 2 |
| Monday 10th June | Whole School Photograph |
| Friday 14th June | Wimbledon Junior Tennis initiative N, Rec and Year 1 workshop |

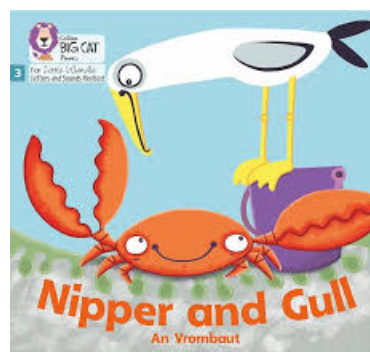
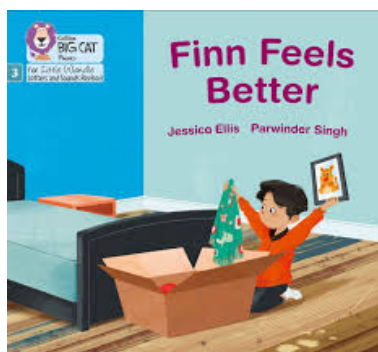
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| | Non-uniform day for Family Day - wear something comfortable and suitable to play tennis in. |
| Saturday 15th June | Family Day 2pm - 6pm |
| Wednesday 19th June | Class photos |
| Monday 24th June | Healthy Schools Week |
| | Reception Sports Day 10.45am - 12pm |
| Monday 1st July | Careers Week - parents invited to come into talk about their career |
| Wednesday 3rd July | Reception trip to Bocketts Farm |
| Thursday 4th July | Share my Learning Year R to 6 - parents in school 3.45pm to 7pm |
| Friday 5th July | INSET Day |
| Wednesday 10th July | YR to Y1 Transition meeting in the dining hall (follows Creepy Crawly Concert) |
| Wednesday 24th July | End of Summer term – 1.30pm finish |

Summer Term Homework

Thank you for continuing to support your child at home as we know it is not always easy to find time to do so. The children love to share their Tapestry posts with their class.

Reading

The children have made excellent progress with their phonics, reading and comprehension skills over the year. We have added some extra titles to your child's ebook account. To access your child's Big Cat ebooks, go to [Collins Ebooks](#)



Enter the username and password (located in the back of your child's reading record) to access your library. If you misplace your password, please contact passwords@wimbledonchase.merton.sch.uk

Please continue to read with and to your child as regularly as possible. It would also be beneficial to continue to go over their previous phonics sounds and tricky words especially if your child is not secure with them. You can support your child further by encouraging writing for pleasure; such as making shopping lists, birthday cards or keeping a diary.

Maths

Each Friday instead of a phonics task we will be sending out a Maths activity via Tapestry. These will support the children's understanding of the concepts that they have been learning at school. Please record any written responses, markings, drawing or photographs of your children completing these activities on Tapestry.

Reminders

Uniform

Please re-label any uniform that has been named by pen as many names have been washed out. Please could you return any clothes that your child may have borrowed from school. We would be grateful for any donations of trousers, pants and socks (age 4 or 5).

Punctuality

The start of the school day is at **8:50am**. Punctuality is of utmost importance to help your child feel prepared and relaxed for the school day ahead. Pick up time is **3.20pm** please ensure you arrive on time.

Water Bottle, Sun Cream, Sun Hats

Please ensure your child has a clearly named water bottle for the classroom in addition to one they may have in their lunchbox. When the warmer weather arrives please apply your child's sun cream before school and also provide a sun hat.

We are collecting:

- Kitchen rolls and egg boxes to turn into 'spiders up a water spout'
- Smooth medium sized pebbles to paint as ladybirds
- Wall paper/ rolls of plain paper
- Boxes of tissues
- plastic guttering
- cable reels
- laminate tiles
- metal pans and metal utensils for our mud mud kitchen



If you have any questions for us about your child's learning then please do not hesitate to ask.

Your continued support regarding your child's learning is appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

J.Ruffle

A.Coates

E. Edwards

J. Ellingworth

MRS J. RUFFLE

MRS A. COATES

MISS E.Edwards

MISS J. ELLINGWORTH