

Monday 24th April

Dear All,

A very warm welcome back to a brand new term! The Summer Term is our Explore Term where we have a geography focus to our topic themes, concepts and key questions. Over the next week you should receive your child's knowledge organiser which will provide you with all the details for the term.

The summer term is such a busy term and we are very much looking forward to enjoying being outside in the sunshine (hopefully!). As the weather warms up please make sure children have sun hats and sun cream in school to keep them safe in the sun.

Best Wishes

Mrs E Sacre – Executive Headteacher

Last week in class...

Little Brown Hare - We have had a great start back after the Easter holiday. The children have been busy in the garden, sowing seeds, planting and watering, they have also enjoyed exploring the environment, especially with our new installations, a wooden teepee that has already been a variety of things within the children's role play and a music station. We have also got the beginnings of a sand pit, hopefully next week we will have some sand. A big thank you to Beaverbrooks for funding these projects and to the Friends for helping us make it a reality. As the weather is getting warmer, with the sun making an appearance now and again, please remember to apply sun screen before the children attend and to also put some in their bags so that we can top up as and when necessary.

Blackbirds - Blackbirds Class have started work thinking about our question, "What is it like to take flight." We are focusing in birds in our investigations and this week have found out that not all birds can fly and not all animals that fly are birds. The children have been sorting different animals, learning to draw birds and finding out about a new bird each day with our 'Bird of the Day'. We have enjoyed the sunshine to get outside seeing if we can spot birds doing different things around school - the children were excited to find bluetits nesting in one of our school nest boxes.

Wagtails - What a great start back for Wagtails! We've been spending a lot of time finding out all about light. The class has been investigating all of the different things that are sources of light and things that just reflect light. There were definitely a few surprises to be discovered in particular the moon not being a light source. We also spent some time looking at transparent, translucent and opaque materials and how we use them in everyday life. We put all of this knowledge into making a shadow puppet display. It was great to see the class working so well in groups and helping each other out with the many different puppets that needed positioning.

Skylarks - Skylarks have kicked off their summer term thinking about two key concepts of love & respect and what this means to them, their families, school and beyond! Linked to this, as geographers they have been working on mapping their home, School and neighbourhoods and how these concepts relate to this. Home challenge: can you make a photo trail of your neighbourhood showing key features and landmarks starting from your house?

This week: last two Y6 SATs clubs are Tues 25th April and Thurs 4th May. PE on Monday 24th April. Maths to add/subtract decimals with the same and different number of decimal places.



Wellbeing

We have recently had the attached information shared with us for some parent workshops provided by the NHS which focus on supporting young people's mental health. These are free virtual workshops on zoom and are 60 minutes long. Whilst some dates have passed the workshops still available are:

Supporting Our Young people with Big Feelings Supporting Our Young People with Low Mood

Building Understanding and Supporting your Child with Tourettes/Tics

To book a place please see the attached information and either click on the website link or scan the QR code.

Look out in future newsletters for other workshops being offered to parents and carers.



Shoes and Uniform

Please can you make sure that your child has a pair of indoor shoes in school (slippers, plimsolls or indoor trainers).

We would very much appreciate your support with this as we cannot have children in school just in socks.

Please could you also make sure that children come to school in school uniform apart from on PE and Forest School days. Our uniform policy can be found on our website. Thank you in advance for your help with these.











Little Brown Hare Community Afternoon -

A very big thank you to everyone who was able to come and help ;ast Monday afternoon at Little Brown Hare! We very much appreciate all the help and support we had and I'm sure you will agree things are really looking good in Little Brown Hare. Thank you!

Friends of Erpingham Primary

The Great Erpingham Bake Off is back and we are very excited! This is a lovely event for all the children (and those adults chosen to judge the baking!) so keep an eye out for further information and details.







DIARY DATES

Monday 24th April - Skylarks village walk PM Tuesday 25th April - SATS CLUB Blackbirds Gymnastics Wednesday 26th April - Year 6 Forest School Thursday 27th April - Year 3-4 Forest School Baking club Friday 28th April - Blackbirds PE

Monday 1st May - BANK HOLIDAY Tuesday 2nd May - Skylarks Gymnastics Blackbirds Forest School Wednesday 3rd May - Skylarks Bake off Year 5 Forest School Thursday 4th May - SATS CLUB Baking club Year 2 Forest School Friday 5th May - Wagtails Swimming & Blackbirds PE

Monday 8th May - BANK HOLIDAY - KS2 SATS week Tuesday 9th May - Blackbirds Forest School Wagtails Gymnastics Wednesday 10th May - Year 6 Forest School Wagtails Bake Off Thursday 11th May - Year 3-4 Forest School Baking club Friday 12th May - Blackbirds PE

Monday 15th May -

Tuesday 16th May - Blackbirds Forest School Wednesday 17th May - Year 5 Forest School Blackbirds Bake Off Thursday 18th May - Baking club Year 2 Forest School Census Day Friday 19th May - Blackbirds PE & Wagtails Swimming

Strike Days

As it stands currently there are a couple of national teachers strike dates planned, these dates are Thursday 27th April and Tuesday 2nd May. We are expecting to remain open as usual on these days and will keep parents up to date should there be any changes.