



PARKSIDE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you have had a restful Easter break. We look forward to an exciting and busy Summer Term. Our topic for this half term is **'Plants'** followed by **'Animals, including Humans'**.

Maths	During this term, the children will engage in a variety of mathematical concepts including: multiplying by 10, finding fractions of an amount, division, multiplication, telling the time (analogue and digital) and decimals. It is essential that the children are fluent with their times tables 2,3,4,5 & 8 by the end of the year. Daily, children will complete an early morning task to recap on learning from the year.
English	The children will be learning about poetry, play scripts, persuasive writing, limericks, narrative story writing and a newspaper report throughout this term. Children will continue to take part in guided reading every afternoon. We are working towards achieving a love of reading in our classes and children will be exposed to a variety of texts. Please continue to read with your child at home every day. Spelling words will go home on Fridays and the children will have a spelling test on Fridays. Please help your child to learn their spellings at home to ensure ultimate success.
Science	The first part of our term is learning about plants. Children will plan and carry out an experiment to determine what plants need in order to grow and survive. The second part of the term is learning about animals, including humans. The children will learn about the skeleton and muscular structure of the human body and learn about the correct form of nutrition which animals require.
Art	The children will perform close observations sketching of plants and then move onto using watercolours in their work. They will take part in a study of the artist Van Gogh. In the second part of the term, the children will study and recreate the work of Andy Goldsworthy.
DT	We will be planning, designing and producing our own miniature green houses.
Computing	Children will be learning how to send an email safely and plan and complete a survey.
PE	Children will learn to play cricket during the first part of the term and then move onto athletics during the second part. PE will be linked to our science topic on animals including humans. Opportunities for orienteering will be provided whenever possible.
SMSC	We will be working on developing relationships and how our bodies change as we become older.

Respect each other, Belonging together, Achievement for all.



Healthy Schools



RE	Children will be learning about religious codes of conduct, rules for living and exploring places of worship.
French	Children will continue to develop their vocabulary acquired this year. This includes responding to classroom instructions, listening and repeating stories and responding in French in a variety of topics.

PE- Please be reminded that children will need a P.E. Kit in school at all times. This should be black shorts, a plain white t-shirt and plimsolls. Please ensure all items are clearly labelled with your child's name.

Uniform- Please ensure your child has the correct uniform and footwear. Earrings should be studs and no jewellery should be worn unless faith related.

Water- Children may bring a bottle of water each day, they also have access to the drinking fountain at all playtimes.

Home Learning- A piece of homework will be set fortnightly linked to their English and Maths. Please encourage your child to complete their homework. Spellings are sent home weekly, please support your child to practise their spellings ready for their test each Friday. Children also have access to Purple Mash, Education City and Mathletics which they can use anytime.

If you have any questions please feel free to come and speak to us at the end of the day.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Dyos, Miss C Chrisostomou, Miss Moon, Mrs Knowles, Mrs Hutchinson, Miss Bowers, Miss Daniels and Mrs Collins.