

Ladybird Class Term 5 Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you had an enjoyable Easter break.



We are excited to share that this term our children will be looking at Creep Crawl and Wriggle topic, looking at Mini beasts, habitats and Lifecycles such as the butterfly. We will be also looking at our animal topic called **Animal Safari!**

Throughout this topic, your child will learn about the amazing variety of animals that live all around the world. They will explore different habitats and begin to compare these with animals found in our local area.

As part of their learning, children will:

- Learn how to care for pets and understand what animals need to grow, survive, and stay happy and healthy
- Explore different animal features and discover how animals adapt to life in the wild
- Compare animals, looking at how they are similar and how they are different.

If you have any family pets, or have been to see some animals the children want to share please send in pictures for them to share with the class.

Our key texts include *Bog baby*, *The Hungry Caterpillar* and *the Ugly Five*

In phonics we are consolidating Phase 3 GPCs, spellings and tricky words. Daily reading at home is vital and greatly supports your child's progress. Please sign Yellow books with read to...

In maths, we are developing our subitising skills, helping children recognise quantities up to 5 and beyond and match them to numerals. We are also exploring missing parts within numbers to deepen understanding.

We've been learning about 6 and 7 as '5 and a bit' using finger patterns and the Hungarian number frame, and comparing groups to see if they are equal or unequal.

We will be having our sports coach for PE now on Tuesdays and practising on some Fridays for Sport day. Please ensure **PE kits are in school** and that **earrings are removed** for these days.

Thursdays will now be covered By Miss Mason for the next two terms.

Dates for your diary:

Monday 4th May – Bank Holiday

Tuesday 5th May- OPAL info Parents session

Friday 22nd End of Term 5

Term 6

Monday 1st June- School closed Inset

Tuesday 2nd-5th Sports Week

Friday 5th June Sport days AM

Here are a few reminders to help us get into good routines:

- Please make sure your child brings their **book bag** (not a backpack) and books **every day**.
- Please label all personal items including, clothing, lunchbox and coats.
- Water bottles are provided in the classroom for children to access.
- If you are bringing a pack lunch from home please make sure it is nut free and healthy choices.
- If earrings are worn they **must** be studs.
- **PE will be on Tuesday and Friday**, so children will need their full PE kit in school, earrings **need** to be removed before school.
- Reading books changed every Wednesday, please sign yellow books.

Most importantly, our aim this term is to help your child feel happy, safe, and confident in school. If you ever have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to come and speak to us at the door or contact us through the office.

Thank you for your support – we are really looking forward to another fun and exciting term together!

Mrs Geeves, Miss Mason, Mrs Axten and Mrs Glover.