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Badger Class Newsletter

(Term 5: 22nd April - Friday 23rd May)

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Term 5! I hope you had a great Easter. Though a short term, it will be fun and packed with learning! I am also hoping to arrange a trip to the river with Bristol Avon Rivers Trust this term to find out what animals live in our river. More to follow.

Here is a summary of what we will be doing in Term 5. Please take the opportunity to share this with your child.

Dear Badgers,

Another fun and exciting term awaits us!

English:

This term we are reading a book called **The Last Bear** written by **Hannah Gold**.

It takes us on a magical trip to the Arctic where there are no polar bears left on Bear Island. At least, that's what April's father tells her when his scientific research takes them there for six months. But one endless summer night, April meets one. He is starving, lonely and a long way from home...

Our **Write Stuff** lessons will be focusing on writing a **Narrative** (story). It is based on the short film: **The Blue Umbrella** by Pixar Animations:

It is just another evening commute until the rain starts to fall, and the city comes alive to the sound of dripping rain pipes, whistling awnings and gurgling gutters. And in the midst, two umbrellas, one blue, one red, fall eternally in love.

I know that this fabulous film will inspire you to write some wonderful stories yourselves.

Science:

Our Scientific focus is biology this term. We will be describing the life cycle of a flowering plant and carrying out tests to investigate **plant structure and function**.

"Love each other as I have loved you" John 15:12



Maths:

We will be extending our learning on **Fractions**; checking in on our understanding of **Money** and beginning our topic on **Time**.

History:

Having studied Ancient Britain in Term 1 when stone age hunter gatherers began to settle in one place and use Bronze to help them farm and trade, we take a look at what was happening at the same time in the civilisations of **Ancient Egypt** and find out about what was important to them.

DT:

In **Textiles**, Mrs Beale will be teaching you how to sew cross stitch and applique so that you can make your own Egyptian Collar.

Computing:

In Computing we will be using Scratch to programme your *sprites* and a sequence of music.

Music:

We will be listening to, appraising and learning a disco song called, **Bringing Us Together**.

RE:

Our focus this Term is **Islam**. What do Muslims believe about Islam and Iman?

Jigsaw:

This Term we will be focusing on **Relationships**. This will involve looking at how to have good relationships within a friendship, within a family and as a global citizen.

PE:

Our lessons continue to be on Thursdays and Fridays. On Thursdays Mrs Beale will be teaching **Athletics** and on Fridays we will be learning how to play **Tennis**.

French:

The topic is called **School** which includes learning vocabulary that we can see in the classroom and discussing what lessons we prefer.

Badger Class Routines

- As usual, Mrs Beale will be taking you when I am out of class for Planning, Preparation and Assessment (PPA) time. This term, this will be on Thursday afternoons.
- Guided Reading: almost all of you are reading lots at home which is fabulous. I will continue to hear you read in your groups and check your reading records in order that I can praise and reward your home reading.
- Spelling homework will continue to be given out on Mondays to be returned on the following Monday.
- Time on DoJo Islands will continue to be available for those of you that are in the green zone in Doodle Maths. I will tell you when I give you an assignment to do also.

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➤ PE days are Thursday and Friday so continue to come in your PE kits on these days.

Although this is a short term, we have a lot to fit in and I know that you will continue to do your best and we will learn lots and have fun.

As usual, Badgers please let me or your parents know if there is anything that is worrying you; I will be able to help.

Best wishes,
Lisa Tunstall.

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[Link for quizzing at home](#)

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