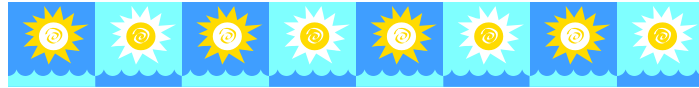


# Elm Class Newsletter Summer 2017



Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have all had a good Easter break. Thank you for your support with your child's learning last term. We had a great trip to Cadbury World; your children were an absolute credit to you and I was proud of their behaviour, good manners and attitude towards the trip - including their patience on the long journey there and back!



Our topic this term is Boston 2 Boston. We shall be exploring the links between the two Bostons and comparing them geographically too. If you are in Boston and get a chance to visit the Guildhall, please do. The museum provides an insight into life for the Pilgrim Fathers and their families -and it's free. We shall also be comparing British and American values and ways of government; highlighting any references to these when watching the news and so on would be good. (There is no shortage of political news at the moment!)

## **P.E. Kit**

As the summer months approach, please can you check that uniform is clearly named. Also, a reminder for P.E., children should wear a T shirt in their house colour. Please can you make sure they have trainers for outdoor and plimsolls for indoor P.E. P.E. usually takes place on Wednesdays and Fridays, however, during the summer term, there are often additional events such as house competitions. It is therefore important to have the correct kit in school throughout the week. Thank you.

## **Homework**

Please can you encourage your child to complete their homework in plenty of time and not leave it until the last minute so that they can submit work to be proud of. Don't forget that if anyone is struggling with homework, it can be brought in on Mondays for guidance, help and advice. Good quality homework is always rewarded. Reading records are checked on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Please can you make sure they are signed.

### **Snacks and water**

Children are encouraged to bring fruit or vegetables for their mid-morning snack. Points are awarded for doing so. I am happy for children to have water bottles on their tables - especially as the weather gets warmer. However, it must be water only. They can bring an additional flavoured drink with their packed lunch if they wish.

### **Summer Term Curriculum**

#### **Maths**

As well as arithmetic, we shall be focusing on geometry including shape and measures. The focus for these is problem solving and reasoning.

#### **English**

Our class reader this half term is the American classic *The Midnight Fox*. After half term, it will be *Charlotte's Web*.

As well as information leaflets and instructions, we shall be writing play scripts and a piece of persuasive writing.

#### **Science**

Growth in animals including humans; plants.

#### **History**

We shall be examining how the Pilgrim Fathers made their journey from Lincolnshire to the east coast of America.

#### **Geography**

Comparing the geographical features of the two Bostons.

#### **P.S.H.E.**

Healthy eating and hygiene.

#### **Design and Technology**

Designing and making a bread product.

#### **R.E.**

What do Buddhists believe?

#### **P.E.**

Team games such as Netball, Tennis, Cricket and Rounders. We shall also be doing Athletics.

#### **Computing**

Film making

#### **French**

A themed day is planned.

**Music and Art** will continue to be taught by Mrs Skanski-Such.

This term, our Class Assembly will be on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June at 2:45pm.

If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Mrs Thompson

