

## Dates for the Diary

<b>January</b>	
<b>30th</b>	<b>E-safety day</b>
<b>February</b>	
<b>10th</b>	Break up for half term
<b>March</b>	
<b>See Newsletter</b>	World book day
<b>31st</b>	Break up for Easter
<b>April</b>	
<b>18th</b>	Back to school
	Please see weekly newsletter for more dates and for any changes.

## Equipment

Please send your child to school with:

- A water bottle for the classroom, even if they have school dinners.
- A bookbag.
- A coat.

**Please ensure all items are labelled including their school uniform and P.E. kit.**

## Other Information

**Absence:** If your child is unwell and unable to attend school, please inform the office by telephone or their class teacher in person, otherwise they will be marked down as an 'unauthorised absence'.

Extended absence through illness, whilst sometimes unavoidable, can have a detrimental effect on your child's progress.

If your child is being picked up by a different adult please let the class teacher or the office know beforehand.

If you would like to speak to your child's teacher the best time will be at the end of the day. However, if you would prefer to arrange a different time, please contact the office and we will then call you.

# King's Meadow School



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# Curriculum Newsletter

# Spring 2023

# Year 1

# Reading

In Year 1, we work hard to improve your child's reading ability. This can only be truly successful with your support. We ask that all children read with an adult, at least **4 times a week** at home. Please record and this in their reading diary so we can move them up on our reading reward chart.

When reading at home, please encourage your child to sound out and blend to help with their word reading. A list of the 100 high frequency words can be found at the back of your child's reading diary. You can also ask your child a range of questions to help develop their comprehension skills.

# Maths

In Term 3 and 4, children will be measuring space including length and weight. Children will be taught to compare lengths and weights using the correct vocabulary and measure in centimetres using a ruler.

Children will develop their knowledge of place value, initially to 20 and then to 50. This will involve finding 1 more and 1 less, comparing numbers and understanding the teen numbers.

We will also be revisiting addition and subtraction, this time using slightly greater numbers to 20. We will do this by using a number line, investigating doubles and near doubles and solving missing number problems.

# Literacy

In Term 3, we will be the learning about the traditional tales of 'The Three Little Pigs' and 'Hansel and Gretel', where the children will focus on retelling these stories. We will also be taking part in World Book day and completing lots of activities linked to our chosen book.

Our Literacy work in Term 4 will be linked to our topic of 'Dinosaurs'. We will be reading a number of books including 'Dinosaur Roar', 'Harry and his bucketful of dinosaurs' and a number of non-fiction books about dinosaurs. The children will be using their knowledge of dinosaurs to write poems and reports.

# Topic/Science

Our Term 3 Topic is 'Materials'. During this topic the children will be learning to distinguish between an object and the material from which it is made, identify and name a variety of everyday materials and describe the simple physical properties of a variety of everyday materials. This topic will also link with homes and how they have changed through history. During Term 4, we will be learning about 'Dinosaurs'. At school we will be learning about Mary Anning and the significant discoveries she made, discovering about the time of dinosaurs as well as finding out how fossils are formed. Towards the end of Term 4, we will be consolidating our learning through a trip to the Natural History Museum!

# P.E.

On your child's P.E. days your child needs to come to school in their P.E. kit. We will be doing one outdoor and one indoor session a week. In Term 3, we will be having one dance session a week with Mrs Law!

## P.E. days:

Term 3 Monday (outdoor) and Thursday (dance).

If PE dates change in Term 4, the weekly newsletter will notify you of these changes.

. Please ensure your child wears the following items:

- Trainers
- Black/dark blue jogging bottoms
- A white t-shirt or a King's Meadow Sports top
- Black/dark blue jumper
- Gloves for cold weather

# Homework

## Homework:

Spellings will continue and will be tested every Friday. Please see the website for the list of spellings.

Maths homework will continue to be set on a Thursday and due in the following Tuesday.