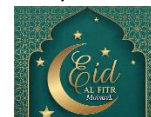


Murphy Class Newsletter



It has been so lovely to welcome the children back this week and to hear all about their Easter holidays - if you have any photos to show how you celebrated at Easter then we would love to see them on Tapestry please! If you cannot access your child's Tapestry account, then please speak to a member of the Reception Team and we will endeavour to fix this for you.

Eid Mubarak to our families that celebrated the end of Ramadan last week - we hope that you had a wonderful time and again, we would love to see any photos of your celebrations too as this week, the children will be learning about this special time for Muslims.



Toys



Thank you so much for your support in keeping toys at home. We saw a big improvement at the end of last term and really want to keep going with this as toys can be very distracting and cause lots of upset/distress if they go missing.



Warmer Weather

Now that the warmer weather is on its way (fingers crossed), it's important that your child comes to school each day with a **named** water bottle. This must contain **water not juice**. As we move further into Summer term, please ensure that children have a **named** sunhat & sun cream in school so that they can enjoy the sunshine safely.

Parent Partnerships - Dates for your Diary!

Monday 6th May - May Bank Holiday **SCHOOL CLOSED**

Wednesday 22nd May - 'Stay and Play' 2pm-3.15pm. All welcome to join us for some play and learning activities.



Friday 24th May - finish school for the half term break



Our Favourite 5!

Each half term, we read 5 key texts. This half term, our 'Favourite 5' books are:



Six Dinner Sid
Room on the Broom
The Colour Monster
My Hair
Alien's Love Underpants



By reading these 5 stories regularly, children are exposed to lots of new vocabulary. Our 'Grandma Fantastic' collects all of the new vocabulary that we have learnt from each story. We revisit this new vocabulary often, to support children to absorb the language and explore it in a wider context.

Reading & Writing Cafe

This half term we will be continuing with our Reading and Writing Café sessions starting from **Wednesday 24th April at 2.40pm**.

This half term we will be having a focus on handwriting and letter formation, giving parents the chance to explore a variety of different activities promoting these skills with their child.

This will continue each Wednesday afternoon throughout the half term.



Clothing

Please ensure that **all** items of your child's clothing are clearly labelled with their name. It is much easier to reunite children with their correct cardigan/jumper if it's named as there are often several children with the same brand/size of clothing. Thank you for your help with this!