



Old Palace Reception Newsletter Summer 1

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Trips

As part of our topic focus, we have planned to take the children to visit London Sea Life centre in Westminster on Tuesday 21st May. Cost of the trip is £6 Please make the payment on parent pay. Reception will be traveling by underground from Bromley by Bow station to Westminster station. We will leave school at 9:30am and return by 3:00pm.

On 12th July we have planned to visit Colchester Zoo for our end of year trip, cost of the trip is £20 per pupil this is for the travel and entrance cost. School will be subsidising the trip cost.

School Uniform

Before the holidays, we placed a reminder in the school newsletter about uniform requirements. These can be checked [here](#).

In cases where a child's clothing does not comply with our uniform policy, we will send a text to the family. We would be grateful if the issue could then be rectified before they return to school the next day, so that the uniform policy is applied fairly to all pupils.

Key texts for this half term, please try and read these stories with your child. Can be found on YouTube.



English

Our key texts for this half term are the following books: **Bravest Fish, Rainbow & Sharing a shell** Children will be reading each story over 2 weeks, they will be creating their own story maps, writing captions to pictures and writing their own narratives linked to the story. Children will be using their phonics skills to write words they are unsure of and will be practicing writing sentences with the tricky words they have learnt so far and begin to use adjectives to extend their writing. They will write information books, facts on sea creatures.

Maths

Please see below the order of the topics the children will be focusing on this half term:

- Exploring the composition of 10
- Exploring the composition of 10, moving from concrete to pictorial representations
- Exploring the composition of 10 by reinforcing different representations of 10
- Using knowledge of number bonds to 10 to work out how many more Calculating number bonds to 10
- Use the language of time to realise the importance of sequence
- Exploring complex Patterns

Useful Links: <https://www.topmarks.co.uk/>
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/subjects/zhtf3j6>

Topic

This half term our topic focus is 'Under the Sea' children will be learning about Sea Creatures and how environmental pollution effects the sea creatures. Children will understand the characteristics of various groups of sea life and learn about their habitats including the different names of a wide range of sea creatures: jelly fish, crab, octopus, shark, seal, coral reef,
<https://oldpalaceprimary.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/FS-Long-Term-Curriculum-Map-TEMPLATE.pdf>

PSHCE

Children are introduced to the key relationships in their lives. They learn about families and the different roles people can have in a family. They explore the friendships they have and what makes a good friend. They are introduced to simple strategies they can use to mend friendships. The children also practise Jigsaw's 'Calm Me' and how they can use this when feeling upset or angry.

Tapestry & Bugclub

Please check your child's Tapestry account for updates on their learning journal. We also would like to see more home school input, please do try and upload pictures/videos of home experiences. Thank you to everyone who have been active on the platform There are still some accounts not activated, please see Mrs Rahman, who can help set it up for you. We would also like to encourage parent to use their child's Bugclub to access the e-books. This is a fun way of engaging pupils with reading.

Notice

The school has been in touch with contractors to renovate the reception toilets. We are hoping to carry out the works over the summer holidays. The toilets are continued to be monitored by staff.

