




## Old Palace Reception Newsletter Summer 2

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### Sports Morning

Our annual sports morning will be held on:

**Rec & KS1:** Wednesday 3rd July 2024 at Bob's Park

**Time:** 9:30 – 11:30am

In order to prepare for the day, we ask that you ensure your child wears a T-shirt with shorts or tracksuit bottoms, trainers (no plimsolls) and a water bottle, which is clearly labelled. In the warm weather, we also ask that they wear a hat and apply sunscreen before they come to school.

A letter will be sent out with more information and to inform you of what colour your child's team is in, and therefore ask they come in with the coloured t-shirt of their team.

### Parent Consultations

Parent consultations will take place on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July after school between 3:30 and 6:00pm. Parents will be allocated a 5-minute slot to meet with the teacher to collect the end of year report.

Please ensure you attend at your given time or rearrange with the class teacher in advance.

If a longer discussion is needed, parents are welcome to make a follow up appointment

We look forward to seeing you!

### Summer Fete

The annual Summer Fete will be **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July**. We will be accepting donations to sell at our annual summer fete. We will be accepting food and baked items to sell at our food stalls as well as other items, (like books and toys) to sell. Please do not send any electrical items or items of clothing. Parents will be invited to join us at our Summer Fete from 3:40pm. Admission is £1 per adult.

### Eid

Eid al-Adha is due to be celebrated on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June. **The school will be closed for Eid on Monday 17<sup>th</sup>**

**June and Eid parties will take place on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June.** For class parties, the school will be providing some food, we also welcome food donations from our parents - please label the food clearly with the ingredients as some pupils have allergies.

Reception Children can come in to school in their party clothes.

Please remember, foot ware must be safe, no heels or open sandals and jewellery is not allowed. Parents can join the class party in the top hall at 2:00pm

### Forest School

This half term we will be continuing our Forest school sessions; we will take children in small groups to Bob's Park wild garden area to practice their skills in exploring wild life and learning about plants and how pollination happens.

### Topic

This half term, children will be learning about 'Land Animals'. Children will build on their knowledge and understanding about different animal groups such as reptiles, mammals, birds and amphibians. They will also look at their habitats and compare and contrast between the various habitats, including, desert, Rainforest and Polar regions. Children will develop the use of key vocabulary linked to the topic here are some of the key topic vocabulary they will learn: *endangered, savannah, wild, diet, habitat, urban, rainforest and pets*

### English

In English, children will develop their writing skills by writing narratives linked to a familiar story and recounts based on personal experiences. Children will understand the composition in writing. Children will be given the opportunity to create their own piece of writing and practice sentences, including precision in letter formation. Children will build on their reading skills and use their phonological skills to support their writing development.

### Maths

In maths, children will be learning to build on their number facts to 10 and use this to help them count on and count backwards from a given number. They will develop their problem solving skills with addition and subtraction. In addition to this, children will explore positional language involving spatial awareness, including over, under, beside, behind and in front.

### Father's Day Event

**On Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June** we will be holding an exciting Father's day event in Reception from 9:15am-10:45am. Parents and children will work together and have the opportunity to get involved with a range of fun and creative activities.



### Trip

As part of our topic field work and of term trip, we are planning to take the children to Colchester Zoo on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July – Children will need to be in school by 8:30am. Letter will be sent out closer to time. Cost of trip £20 covers coach, entrance and workshop.

