

Summer 1 in Woodlands

Forest School

Forest School is on a Monday. Rabbits and Badgers go in the morning and Robins will go in the afternoon. Children attend Forest School in all weathers so being dressed appropriately helps them to be comfortable. Don't forget long sleeves and trousers to avoid being stung or bitten when in the forest. And...please name your child's clothing and accessories!



Handwriting – We have started to use a new handwriting scheme, 'Letterjoin'. Rabbits will continue to learn print (not cursive), Badgers are now using cursive font and Robins are joining their cursive letters. This half term we will be concentrating on learning about capital letters. We only use pencils for writing in Woodlands; children start to use handwriting pens in Key Stage Two.

Phonics – Our phonics scheme is called 'Little Wandle'. This term we will continue to teach the children new sounds in streamed phonics groups. Please continue to help your child read at home by encouraging them to use their phonetic sounds to work out phonetically plausible words.



Reading

All children have a reading folder with their reading record, a phonics reading book and a 'reading for pleasure' reading book. These will be changed every Monday. Please try to read with your child

at home at least 3 times a week and record that you have read in their reading record. Please help your child to bring their reading folder in to school every day, as they will be read with regularly in school. Children also have a pink exercise book with key words to read or spell; please practice these words with your child at home.

Snack bar

Please can you bring in donations of dry snacks such as crackers, breadsticks and dried fruit (no nuts please) to top up our snack bar. We will provide fresh fruit.

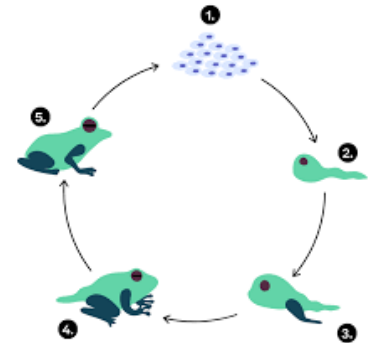


Donations

We are looking for 3-4, 4-5, 5-6 and 6-7 size leggings, tights, socks and underwear for our spare clothes supplies. Please do return any school items that your child has borrowed as we run out very quickly!

Online learning support at home – There are brilliant online games that you can play at home on ICT Games <https://ictgames.com/> and Top Marks (<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games>). We also recommend BBC Bitesize for games, quizzes and online learning for all subjects: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/levels/z3g4d2p>.

Life Cycles – This term, we will be learning about the lifecycles of animals and flowers around us. If anyone has links for any frog spawn or has chicken eggs with an incubator we would love to hear from you!



Our topic will include learning about the United Kingdom and our local area. The children will learn the capital cities and landmarks from around the United Kingdom. We will be making a map of the United Kingdom and would love to include some photographs of the children in different locations in the UK. If you have a photograph of your child in a location in the UK (preferably with a landmark in the photograph but this isn't necessary) then please email it to rmarsdenfarmer@clandon.surrey.sch.uk

	Week 1 15 th – 19 th April	Week 2 22 nd – 26 th April	Week 3 29 th April – 3 rd May	Week 4 7 th – 10 th May	Week 5 13 th – 17 th May	Week 6 20 th – 24 th May
	Lambs and Sheep	British flowers	Tadpoles and Frogs	Eggs and Chickens	British birds	Caterpillars and Butterflies
Things to remember:	Tuesday 16 th April – Woodlands visit to see the lambing on Clandon Estate with the shepherdess	Monday 22 nd April – Woodlands to visit Jasmine's alpacas at Forest School Tuesday 23 rd April is St George's Day		Monday 6 th May is a Bank Holiday for May Day	Tuesday 14 th May – Local area walk for bird spotting	
Our key books, rhymes and songs:	Songs for Rabbits: Mary Had a Little Lamb and Baa Baa Black Sheep	It Stars with a Seed by Jennie Webber	The Bog Baby by Jeanne Willis Song for Rabbits: 5 little speckled frogs	Traditional tale: Chicken Licken Song: I'm a spring chicken	The Odd Egg by Emily Gravett Rhyme: Peter and Paul	The Very Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle Rhyme for Rabbits: There's a tiny caterpillar
We will be:	Learning about a sheep's life cycle. Learning what is needed to care for a sheep. Learning about our local area, including Clandon Estate. Looking at Clandon on Google Maps. Spotting Guildford on a map of the United Kingdom.	Learning about the life cycle of British flowers. Learning which flowers and plants are associated with each country in the United Kingdom. Learning about the names of the 4 countries in the United Kingdom.	Learning about a frog's life cycle. Learning about frog habitats in the UK. Learning about the capital cities in the United Kingdom. Learning about famous rivers and lakes in the United Kingdom and spotting them using atlases and maps.	Learning about a chicken's life cycle. Learning about the flags from each country in the United Kingdom. Labelling the seas which surround the United Kingdom on a map. Breaking open eggs and looking closely at the white, yolk and shell.	Learning about different British birds and what is different about their eggs. Learning what sort of habitats each of the birds live in. Ordering eggs by size. Learning about famous landmarks in the United Kingdom, such as mountains.	Learning about a butterfly's life cycle. Retelling the story of the butterfly's life cycle through the Hungry Caterpillar story. Thinking about symmetry in relation to butterflies. Learning about landmarks in the United Kingdom (buildings).

