

Silver Birch Class Newsletter



Summer

Miss Loynes, Mrs Burnham and Mrs Longstaffe

Welcome to Summer Term with Silver Birch!

We hope that you have had a fantastic Easter holiday. Everyone has made smooth transition back into the routine and have come back enthusiastic and ready to learn. We welcome Mrs Burnham who has come to support in year one and Mrs Longstaffe who will be teaching us on Friday afternoons. Here are a few reminders and adjustments in the routine and curriculum.

PE

These sessions will take place on Thursdays (Leeds United Sessions) and Friday's (Indoor). The children should continue to have their P.E kits in school for these days.

Reading

Please continue to encourage your child to read 3 times a week, as this will really support their development in every aspect of the school curriculum. 5-10 mins a night is perfect. Please continue to sign their reading record books at least 3 times a week so they are able to participate in the class reading raffle.

English:

Children are making good progress within phonics and their reading groups. We will continue to work with them in small phonics/reading groups. Year 1 will be doing the phonics screening check in June. You will be informed of these results in your reports. This will be completed by Miss Loynes on a one to one basis. The children are used to reading phonemes and words when we assess them most half terms for Read Write Inc. groups so this process should not worry them.

We will be doing writing units on biography's, writing letters and report writing. We are working on building up their stamina in writing their own sentences independently using correct punctuation. As a whole class we will read and do some experience days based on the book "Can I be your Dog? By Troy Cummings.

Maths:

We will be doing lots of:

Calculations: multiplication- counting in 2s, 5s and 10s, division (sharing into groups)

Fractions: Halves, quarters

Number & place value: numbers to 100

Measurements: time and money

Geometry: position & direction



Any support you can give your children with these types of activities would be brilliant- Please continue to log into and use the Numbots program to support with your child's maths.

Summer 1 Art: Printing- seaside prints Geography: Seasons and the weather ICT: Digital Painting PE: Real P.E - Multi-Skills with Leeds United PSHE: Wellbeing sessions RE: How do we care for others? Science: Plants	Summer 2 D&T: Puppets History: Seaside Holidays in the past ICT: Digital Writing PE: Real P.E- Balancing Techniques, Multi-skills with PHGS PSHE: Transitions RE: Who brought messages about God? Science: Plants and growth
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Dates for your diary:	
30/4/25	Leeds Rhinos assembly in school
5/5/25	May Day bank holiday
7/5/25	Author, Beth Woolvin in to see Maple, Silver Birch and Willow classes
	Westgate Eco committee visiting Ashfield's Eco Committee
18/5/25	Carnival club at Ashfield 10am-2pm
19-23/5/25	Health Week - A separate newsletter will give more details
19-23/5/25	Walk to school week
21/5/25	Sports Day - weather dependent
26-30/5/25	Half term
2/6/25	Training day
3-13/6/25 -	Geography fieldwork fortnight
4/6/25	Friends of Ashfield 6:30pm The Yew Tree
9-13/6/25 -	Phonic screener week Year 1 and Year 2 retakes
16-20/6/25	SEND week
17/6/25	Years 1 & 2 trip to Saltburn
21/6/25	Otley Carnival
23/6/25	Class photo day
26/6/25	CLT music concert choir at Trinity School or Bradford Cathedral
30/6/25	Reports to parents and carers
4/6/25	Dress as you please day for hamper raffle prizes
10/7/25	In school transition
13/7/25	Summer Fair and Circus - shows at 11, 1 and 3
18/7/25	Break up for the summer holidays