

Apple Class Newsletter

Spring 2

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News / Information

What a wonderful jam-packed term we have had together. It has been a pleasure to see the children flourishing in school, applying reading and writing with more confidence and enjoying the challenge of new concepts in maths. It was lovely to meet with parents on Thursday, and we look forward to seeing more of you this Tuesday after school.

Thank you Henry for coming into school last week to teach the class about sheepdog training. The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

This we are looking forward to welcoming Kate, Stirling's Mum, who will be coming in on Tuesday to teach the class about 'stop motion' filming. The theme will be based upon 'Carnival of the Animals'

Next term will be a new topic, based upon traditional tales. In science we will be focusing on plants and growth. With this in mind, our garden space needs a good weed and spruce up! Each year I have asked parents to help me with this as it is a big undertaking. I will have a chat with your class reps to come up with some ideas.

You may want to check your child's welly boots for sizing – feet have a habit of growing in Apple class!

Phonics

Phase 3 – This week I will be assessing each child again in readiness for next term when we begin Phase 4 of the Little Wandle programme. Again, we will send home a short report for each child, after Easter. We will also send home reading books for you share over the break.

This week...

We end our topic with a lovely story called 'The Pig in the Pond', all about a pig that is getting hotter in the summer sun. Whilst the farmer is away, he takes a huge leap in the pond to keep cool. We will connect this story to the science concept 'floating and sinking'. On Monday the children will learn about what makes an object float or sink, using a variety of objects to test in water.

On Tuesday, Louise will teach the children about Fairtrade, focusing on farming across the World. In particular the class will learn about cocoa beans – nice link to chocolate! The children are going to use fairtrade chocolate as the base for a simple cooking task. It would be great if you can help your child look for Fairtrade produce in your kitchen cupboards.

On Wednesday, we have a special visitor coming to school – Steel from Gladiators. This will be a fantastic surprise for the whole school. He will be teaching the children about how to healthy life choices such as exercise and diet.

On Thursday we will finish the week with our annual Easter Bonnet parade and a delicious Easter lunch. The class have been working towards a treat over the past couple weeks – they are definitely on track for a surprise Easter Egg hunt – shhhhh!!!

HAPPY EASTER – WE WISH YOU A WONDERFUL EASTER BREAK

**Teacher
Awards**
**Stirling and
Michael**

