



Team Crane Week beginning Monday 13th May 2019

On Tuesday, we will send PE kits home in order for the children to return to school wearing them on Wednesday morning in preparation for Sports Day. The children will wear their kits all day so there is no need to send in their school uniform. Children may wear trainers.

Please return any ICT assessment sheets as soon as possible.

Personal, Social, Emotional Development (PSE) & Communication & Language-Our show and tell focus is now 'My Special Place' to fit in with our RE focus. When invited, the children will talk to their classmates about somewhere which is special to them and show them a picture of that place which will be posted on Tapestry.

Physical Development (PD)-Our practice for Sports Day will continue. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on Wednesday.

Literacy (LD)-Every Thursday, a small group of children participate in cookery club with Mrs Ditchfield to make something tasty to share with the rest of the class. So far we have made crispy cakes, Captain Patch's Golden Muffins and Troll Rock cakes. During the session, we apply our reading skills to recipes.

Mathematical Development -We will refresh our knowledge of 2D and 3D shape this week and talk about their properties.

Understanding of the World -Our caterpillars are now at a very important phase of their metamorphosis, cocoons. We really hope they will emerge as painted lady butterflies before we close for half term, however, there is every likelihood that they will hatch during half term! They can be kept in their butterfly house for a few days but will then need to be released. If this is the case, I will release them on the orchard during half term, but will post a message on Twitter detailing when. If you are available, please come along to witness their release.

During Forest School, we are working towards RSPB Gold award through tasks such as making a compostarium and hog house. We end each session with meditation and yoga.

Expressive Arts and Design (EAD)- We have been developing our painting skills in recent weeks such as painting thick and thin lines, mixing colours and filling a page with paint without mixing colours. On Tuesday, the last group of children will work with our visiting artist.

Other Information- As the weather improves, please provide the children with **named sun hats**. May I also ask that on sunny days the children are applied with **once-a-day sun cream** before they come to school. If you wish, you may also send in a bottle of sun cream which the children can keep in their tray to re-apply if needed. Please ensure the bottles have their **name** on.

The warmer weather also means children are taking jumpers and cardigans of more frequently. Please ensure all uniform is named.

After half term the children will need a plain white t-shirt.

In July we will visit Parbold Library with Nursery as part of our transition activities. Most of the children were registered at the library when we visited last year and therefore have a library card. We will need these to be sent in nearer the time. If your son/daughter is not a member, then we will register them when we visit. Date and details to follow.

Other ways we keep in touch

Tapestry, <https://www.newburgh.lancs.sch.uk/>, <https://twitter.com/newburghcrane?lang=en>

With thanks for your continued support,

Sharon Duthie, Gwenda Enriles, Emma Anderson.