

Badgers Class information:**P.E.**

Our P.E afternoon will be Tuesday during this term. Please can children have their full P.E kits in school, remembering a tracksuit to keep warm in case we are able to go outside.

Homework

Homework will be sent home on Fridays to be returned to school the following Thursday.

Reading records:

Try to hear your child read at least 4 times a week and update the reading records. Please bring reading books back to school every day. Our Reading Stars counting will be done on Thursday each week. Let's make Badgers the reading stars!

Our school website address is:

www.barcombe.e-sussex.sch.uk and our class blog is

<http://barcombebadgers.wordpress.com> where you will find information about the class, home learning, upcoming events and links to useful websites.

Dates for your diary:

- January 24th - Reading meeting (9.00-9.20)
- January 31st - Badgers Class assembly
- April 2nd - Easter service at St Mary's church
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Things you could try at home to enrich the term's projects:

- Visit a local library and find some books all about Australia
- Find Australia on a map of the world - how far away is it from Great Britain?
- Go to a local zoo park - can you find any Australian animals?
- Try cooking some traditional Australian food!



Welcome to Badgers Class

Curriculum Information

Terms 3 and 4

BARCOMBE
C. OF E.
SCHOOL

Teacher: Miss Doone
Teaching Assistant: Mrs Mann

ENGLISH

During English in Term 3, we will be making links to our Australia topic through the picture book Possum Magic by Mem Fox. We will be researching Australian animals and writing our own fact files, as well as learning to write instructions for Australian recipes! In Term 4, we will be learning about knights, castles, and dragons and will be learning about mythical creatures. Children's understanding of grammar, punctuation and vocabulary will be developed throughout the year during all topics and handwriting will be practised frequently. Year 2 will continue to work on their phonics every morning, with Year 3 learning spelling, grammar, and punctuation activities during this session.

MATHS

Year 3 will be continuing their learning on multiplication and division at the beginning of Term 3, working on different worded questions and building upon their reasoning skills. Later in the term and into Term 4, the children will look at money and statistics. Year 2 will begin their unit of work on multiplication and division in Term 3. They will be learning to share numbers into equal groups and will learn written methods for multiplying. Following this, the children will be working on activities linked to statistics, such as interpreting bar charts and pictograms.

HISTORY and GEOGRAPHY

Through our Australia topic, we will be exploring the geography of Australia - what is its climate like? What animals does it have? We will also be looking at local geography by focussing on England, Scotland, Wales, and Northern Ireland. In Term 4, we will be learning about the history of castles, specifically those in the local area such as Lewes and Bodiam.

Our Learning Journeys are:

Australia
and
**Knights,
Castles and
Dragons**

P.E.

Mr Munnery will be teaching P.E. during Term 3. The class will be working on different ball games such as football and netball to develop teamwork skills and passing, catching, and throwing. In Term 4, Miss Doone will be teaching the class. The children will be learning lots of different dances and will have a go at creating their own routines.

COMPUTING

In Computing during Term 3, we will be using the Dance Mat Typing website to help us with our typing skills on the laptops. In Term 4, we will then be using Microsoft Word and Powerpoint.

ART & DT

Term 3's Art lessons will be focussing on Australian Aboriginal Artwork which we will be creating using paint. We will also cook some Australian recipes using our D.T. skills!

In Term 4, the children will be working on collage and printing activities.

SCIENCE

During Term 3, we will be investigating forces and magnets. Topics we will cover are friction, magnetism, and gravity. There will be lots of opportunities for practical experiments! In Term 4, the Science is on on Rocks. We will be looking at different types of rocks and their uses today, and will be having a go at making our own fossils!

R.E.

In Term 3, we will be learning about the Creation Story. How did God create the world? What is special about the world around us? We will compare the Christian creation story to our own ideas about how the world was created. In Term 4, we will be focussing on Easter and what it means to Christians. We will be making our own Easter crosses and will consider how Jesus felt during different stages of the Easter period.

FRENCH

We will be learning to say Happy Birthday to each other in French and will have a go at asking how old somebody is. We will also be talking about our families, pets and clothing.

Our French sessions will involve lots of speaking and listening activities as well as short written activities to support our new vocabulary.

OUTDOOR LEARNING

We will be getting outside as much as possible this year to do lots of our learning at Wild about Barcombe. We will get muddy and dirty, but we will have great fun!

P.S.H.E

In P.S.H.E., the children will be learning about Goals and Dreams in Term 3 and will be thinking about New Year's Resolutions. In Term 4, our focus will be Healthy Me - why do we need to keep healthy and active?

MUSIC

Badgers will be playing the recorder on Monday afternoons with Mrs Moisan from East Sussex Music - we are very lucky to have this opportunity! We will also be singing and playing musical games.