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Apple Class Newsletter – Summer 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been a busy and action packed start to the term, with Year 4 thoroughly enjoying Grendon and the Year 5s having fun with their 'Around the World' project. The Summer Term is set to be very exciting and full of interesting activities.

Curriculum

This term's topic is **Raging Rivers**. Over the coming weeks, we will explore river features, such as waterfalls and meanders. In English, the children will be describing river scenes and using the story 'Wind in the Willows' as inspiration. In addition, the children will create stop-start animations of river-themed stories. The focus for Science will be Evolution and Inheritance, as well as an exciting week of investigations in Term 6.

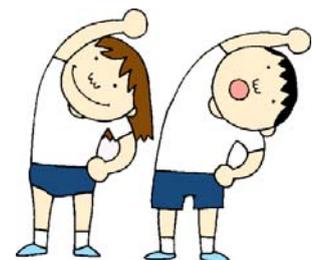
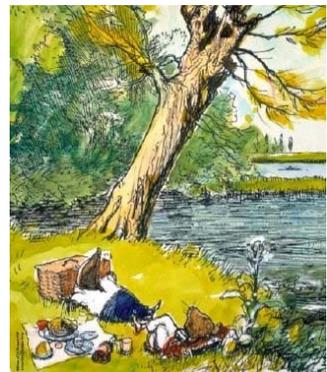
For more information, you can view our Topic Web, which is attached and will be displayed on the school's website.

Homework and Spellings

As in previous terms, Year 4 and 5 are expected to complete one piece of homework from the 'Enriching Learning' sheet and this is to be returned to school, completed, on a **Thursday**. Spelling homework for both year groups, will continue to be given out on a weekly basis from their phonic / spelling teacher. Reading will be checked on Fridays.

PE

This term, Apple Class will continue to have PE on Mondays and Thursdays. It is helpful if the children have their kit in school every day, as weather and other school events can necessitate a change of plan. All children should have indoor and outdoor kit, such as shorts, t-shirt and plimsolls for indoor PE, and tracksuit bottoms, a long sleeved top and trainers for outdoor PE. Please ensure that your child's PE kit is clearly named.



Important Dates

Sportshall Showdown – 25th April



May Day Celebrations – Join us to crown our May King, Queen and Jack/Jill of the Green on Thursday 24th May.

SRE School Nurse Visit – Years 5 and 6 will have SRE sessions from the school nurse on Friday 8th June (further details to follow).

Sports Day – 26th June (**note change of date**)

Upper School Production – Watch our talented pupils partake in this year's production on Monday 16th July and Tuesday 17th July (further details to follow).

Leavers' Church Service – This will take place on Thursday 19th July (further details, including timings, to follow).

Leavers' Celebration Worship – Join us to say farewell to this year's Year 6 cohort on Tuesday 24th July (further details about timings to follow).

Contact

Should you need to contact me about any matter arising, you may email me directly on the following email address:

nbarrett@chesterton.oxon.sch.uk

Please be aware that any messages sent may not be seen until later in the school day or after school as we are often busy with classroom duties or teaching earlier in the day. In all cases, we will endeavour to reply to you within 3 working days. Obviously if the matter is more urgent, for example about attendance or changes to the routine of collecting your child, then you should contact the school office or speak to us at the start or end of the day.

Kind regards,

Miss Barrett