



Badger Class News! Spring 1 2019



Changing Materials

Welcome back! We all hope that you had a lovely break.

We will be exploring the new topic of 'changing materials' to practise our science skills.

To introduce the topic we will compare and sort toys made of different materials. To see the processes of freezing and melting in action Badger class will work in groups. We will explore how to freeze water to make ice and then see that ice melts back into water when heat is applied.

The school trip will be to a local shop so that we can explore frozen foods, choose an example and buy it.

Thank you very much for your continued support and if you have any questions please ask either in the blue home books or over the phone.

The Badger Team: Miss Glover, Mrs Bovey, Mrs Mould, Miss Henry and Miss Pryce.

Trip Experience

We will take the children to the local Asda so that they can see frozen foods in a freezer and then buy their own choice of lollies. A letter will be sent home soon.

Thank you!

English

Our literacy topic for half term is based on shape poems or calligrams. Badger class will look at poems about these three subjects: animals, toys and vehicles.

Specific phonics will build our knowledge of letters and sounds. Practising our mark making skills will involve using a range of sensory materials and hand gym activities. We will read our books at least 3 times a week in order to build reading skills and record reading logs in the yellow home books. The children will bring their reading log prizes home every other Thursday if they have collected 10 new reading logs.

Mathematics

In number lessons the children will get to work with a range of resources such as number lines, number cards, counting animals and number grids. These will support their recognition of numbers, adding, subtracting, multiples, the concepts of more/less and place value. In using and applying we will focus specifically on understanding shapes. We will sort them and then focus on their properties and how we can use these skills to identify a range of shapes.

Useful Websites!

1. http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/scienceclips/ages/6_7/grouping_materials.shtml
2. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b0078pdf>
3. <https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/clips/zrkc87h>

P.E.

On Thursday afternoons we will be taking part in ball skill activities in the hall. We will look at how to involve everyone in the class using skills such as throwing and catching with a range of equipment.

Tuesday mornings will be spent swimming at Barncroft Primary School pool with a trained instructor. We will travel in the school bus at 10:30am and be back before lunch.

The children will need a towel and swimming costume every week in preparation for this.

Swimming is 50p per session or £5 for the summer term.

Please can we have P.E. kits ready for use on Thursdays and swimming kits for Tuesday mornings.

Thank you so much for your continued support and help with this!