

Swan Summer 2021 News

After such a disrupted year we all hope that the Summer term will go smoothly. The warm weather will hopefully allow for more outdoor learning and we will be able to continue with our Science work on plants and new life.

Science: We will begin the term by watching eggs hatch. I have 21 fertile eggs in the incubator and hopefully we will have some chicks running around very soon. This will lead to lots of work on lifecycles and new life.



We will continue to find out about what plants need to thrive and we will look at the importance of bees for plants. I hope to bring an observation hive in to school so the children can watch the bees work in a safe way. We will continue to explore the school environmental garden and grow our own plants.

In English we will continue with daily phonics and regular reading with a focus on comprehension, understanding the text, both fiction and non-fiction. We will write creative stories around the theme of plants, eggs and wildlife. and non-fiction writing, creating leaflets and books. The children will be read to regularly using high quality stories and poems.

In PE the children will follow the Real PE scheme which focuses on the skills needed for all aspects of PE using a story as a hook. They will have a weekly dance lesson. As the weather improves we will do outdoor games and athletics.



Our whole school values are April: Honesty & Fairness, May: High Aspirations & Being the Best you can be, June: International Citizenship & Community (Working Together) and July: Adaptability & Changes.

Show and Tell

Please continue to email photos etc to hp-swanclass for show and tell. We hope to be able to bring items in to school very soon.

In Computing the children will continue to use coding on the computer and also program a moveable toy. The children will use textease to produce pieces of written text. Online safety will be discussed regularly.



In History they will complete the work on the Great Fire of London and then look at the life of significant individual: King Charles second.

In the topic on toys the children will look at old and new with a Victorian focus.

In Geography the children will begin to study their local area. It would really help if you help your child learn their address and postcode. They will look at human and physical features and do simple mapwork using symbols and a key.

In PSHE the children will be talking about their families and people who care for them. In RE they will look at place of worship, a Christian Church and a Jewish Synagogue.

In Maths we will work on place value and calculations (including multiplication and division) up to 50 and then 100. Please practise counting in 10s, 5s and 2s.

We will learn to tell the time and work on fractions, position and direction. These topics are all very practical and are great fun to do outside.



The Art and Music will link to our topics. In Art the children will look at texture and use collage, in Music they will use tuned percussion and sing topic related songs. We will build up the children's confidence as performers.