



St Philip Westbrook News

Year 2 Newsletter: Friday 28th April 2017

Summer 1

We will be completing our SATs assessments in reading, writing & maths throughout this half term.

Keep practising 2, 5 and 10 times tables! If you already know them, give yourself a timed challenge!

It can be difficult to keep up the supply of books that match children's interests. Don't forget that we have a great library on the doorstep. Have you visited it lately?

Our Learning

How lovely it is to see the sunshine and enjoy the longer days, even if the cold weather doesn't seem to have quite disappeared just yet! As we start this final term of your child's time in Key Stage 1, it is a busy time for us as we carry on with our teaching as well as completing all the assessments and associated tasks. Alongside the work, we are hoping to have some fun together as we explore our local environment.

This half term's project will have a strong emphasis on geography and science as we explore our local area in Westbrook. This will include local walks and learning to investigate the plants and animals which live around the school grounds. We will be looking for some happy volunteers to join us for

some activities—please watch out for dates and details.

Here is an outline of areas to be covered:

English: non fiction reports.

Maths: fractions, time, measures, worded problems.

Geography: amenities, geographical features and mapping

DT: textiles—sewing soft toys

Science: growing plants; identifying plants and animals in our local environment.

RE: Ascension and Pentecost



Using our new globes in Geography.

PE

The children are enjoying trying out a range of PE activities both in and out of school. This half term some of us have signed up to the after school gymnastics club, building on the skills and fun which we had in our lessons before the holiday. Keep your eyes open for other out of school opportunities as they pop up later in the year.



Partner work in PE.

Helping your child with spelling

Why not try these question prompts?

- Does it sound right?
- Does it look right?
- Which is the tricky part of the word?
- Do you know any other words spelt in a similar way?

Please inform us in advance of any necessary absence for eg medical appointments. This is especially important during our period of assessment so we can make appropriate arrangements.