

Squirrel Class information:

P.E.

We will have P.E on a **Tuesday and a Thursday** during term 3. Children are to come to school in PE kits on both of these days please.

Homework

Please concentrate on reading daily with your children as it really helps them to develop their reading skills and enjoyment of books. In maths, it would be useful to focus on number recognition to 100, counting forwards and backwards from any number, counting in 2s, 3s, 5s and 10s and number bonds to 10, e.g. $4 + 6$. Number bonds to 20 e.g. $14 + 6 = 20$. Practising writing numerals the correct way round would also be beneficial for lots of the children.

Dates for your diary:

Term 3- As part of our project theme “Home” we will be taking a walk around Barcombe to look at different types of houses. More info to follow.

Forest School - Year 2 will be taking part in Forest School every Wednesday morning during term 3. Please can they arrive at school in their forest school clothes and bring their school clothes to change into.

Be prepared for all weather!

Easter Service – Wednesday 27th March

Last day of term 3 - Friday 9th Feb

Term 4- As part of our Design Technology Grand Design focus we will be designing and making an accessible room for a home. We will be collecting shoe boxes for this.

Pizza Express trip – Thursday 21st March

Parent Consultations – Week beginning 25th March

Last day of term 4 - Thursday 28th March

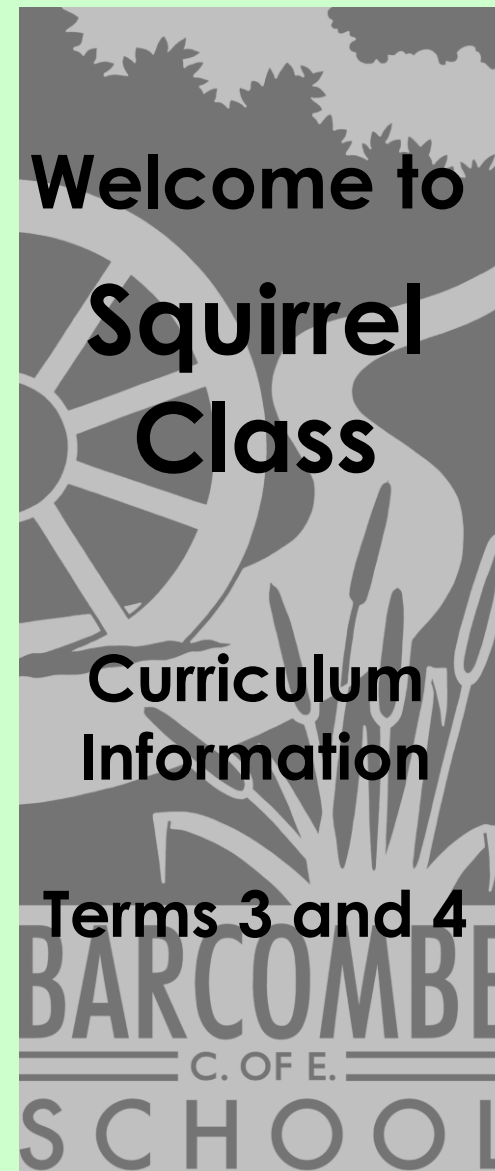
Things you could try at home to enrich learning:

- Look at different types of houses/homes when you are out and about.
- Explore children’s atlases and bring in some facts in to share.
- Explore maps and talk about the oceans and continents.
- The children could draw maps, including their journey to school.

Welcome to Squirrel Class

Curriculum Information

Terms 3 and 4



Teachers: Mrs Payne and Mrs Pettifer
Teaching Assistants: Mrs Tomsett, Mrs Elphick and Mrs Christmas

ENGLISH

This term we will be using the lovely Oliver Jeffer's book 'The Way Back Home'. We will be looking deeply at each of the plot points, developing our use of adjectives and innovating the story to create our own narrative. We will be learning a poem 'If I lived in a Tree House' and creating our own version. In Term 4, we will be looking at non-fiction texts, focussing on the book 'What's Where on Earth?' and creating non-chronological report about habitats. The children will continue to have daily phonics lessons. Mrs Payne and Mrs Pettifer teach Year 1 phonics in class. Mrs Tomsett teaches Year 2 phonics in the Bubble.

Project: Explore Geography Focus

Geography will be our project focus in Term 3. We will be looking at our locality and comparing homes here and abroad. We will be thinking about the difference between a house and a home. We will be exploring maps and aerial photographs. We will also be learning a song to help us remember the names of the seven continents and five oceans.

Project: Explore Design Technology Focus

DT will be our project focus in Term 4. We will be taking part in an exciting Grand Designs style project where we will be designing an accessible, future-proof room. We will be learning about what makes a home accessible and becoming creative innovators as we research, design and make our own models. Please get in touch if you have particular design skills that could help support our learning with this.

Our 'Explore' Project is:
Home



P.S.H.E

Our theme this half term is Dreams and Goals. We will be learning about goals and successes, and we will think about how it feels to set a goal and to achieve it. Our theme for Term 4 is Healthy Me. We will be learning about ways to be happy and healthy. We will explore healthy eating, medicine safety, exercise and ways to relax.

MATHS

This term, we will be focussing on multiplication and division. Children will be learning how to group equally, understand what an array is and how to use them to help them solve multiplication and division problems. We will then learn about fractions and solve practical fraction problems involving shapes and quantities. In term 4, we will be revisiting addition and subtraction, applying our understanding to bigger numbers and Year 2 children will be adding and subtracting two 2-digit numbers. We will also be learning to solve simple problems involving money.

SCIENCE

This term the children will be learning about plants. The children will use our lovely outside environment to identify and name a variety of common wild and garden plants, including deciduous and evergreen trees. They will also learn how to identify and describe the basic structure of a variety of common flowering plants, including trees.

R.E

This term we will be learning about Judaism. We will be exploring things that are precious to Jewish people and about different Jewish objects and why they are special. We will be learning about how Jewish people celebrate Shabbat. We will also be exploring why and how Christians celebrate Easter.

PE

In PE this term, we will be focusing on gymnastics. We will explore travelling and balancing in different ways on and around the apparatus. We will also be performing gymnastic shapes and linking them together in a sequence. Tuesday's PE sessions will be delivered by SportsCool.