

Bevendean Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to welcome you all back and also to say 'Hello' to Miss Balin who has taken Mrs Cooke's place as the Nursery teaching assistant.

Our topics for this half-term are 'Spring' and 'Eggs'. We will be learning about the changes that the warmer weather brings to our outside environment and we will be planting seeds and bulbs.

We will also be learning that lambs and calves are born in the Spring.

We are lucky enough to have bird boxes outside and can often watch from afar as the parent birds make their nest and feed their fledglings.

When Easter comes, we will be learning Easter songs, making Easter cards and having an Easter egg hunt! In Literacy we will be working on our 'Talk for Writing' story which is 'The Tiger who came to tea.' The children will learn the story by heart, reinforced by actions and a 'story map'. We will then make up their own class version of the story using a different animal to a tiger.

- We are continuing to show the children their name cards in a variety of contexts (large flash cards, name labels and so on). All children will be encouraged to have a go at writing their names.
- We are playing listening games which will help us with our pre-reading skills, such as hearing when words rhyme or begin with the same sound. We will also be learning to blend the sounds in short words like 'c-a-t'
- In Maths we will be continuing to count a number of objects and to recognise numbers 1-10 and beyond
- We will be learning to name the 4 main 2D shapes and finding out how many edges and corners they have.

Forest Schools

• We will be continuing Forest Schools, visiting the Nature Garden every Wednesday. This term we will be looking for mini-beasts and their eggs and seeing if there are any tadpoles in the pond!

Outline of things to remember:

- If your child is unwell please ring the school office to inform them of their absence.
- School uniform should consist of:

a white shirt/polo shirt,

black/navy/dark grey skirt or trousers,

plain navy jumper or cardigan,

black/white socks or black/white/navy/grey tights,

shoes that are easy to do up (no laces).

Suitable Clothing

Please can you make sure that children are wearing clothes which are warm and waterproof enough if it is raining, as we go out in most weathers!

Books

• You may choose a book from the book box in the corridor to put in your child's book bag whenever you like.

PE

• We are continuing with PE, which this term will be alternately yoga and gymnastics (with apparatus). Children will need a named t-shirt and pair of shorts or joggers which are to be kept in a drawstring bag on the children's pegs (bags available from the office at the cost of £3.50). We do PE in bare feet so they will not need plimsolls.

Yours Sincerely,

Miss Sarah Hope Nursery Teacher Mrs Brigitta Clay Nursery Nurse Miss Elly Balin Teaching Assistant











