



# Ladybird News



June 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back after half term and well done with your ladybird homework creations! We had some amazing creatures! Mrs Watts was very pleased with them.

The first day back was very unusual, firstly due to the crazy weather after such beautiful sunshine all of half term. But the most unusual thing was our first Yoga lesson with Michael. The children were super with their yoga poses and calm attitudes. I have put some photos on the back for you to see.

This half term our final topic of the Reception year is 'Why do Ladybirds have spots?' which is all about Ladybirds and other mini beasts.

I'm very impressed with the progress of the children this year - I am very proud of all of them! Their reading and number work has been outstanding 😊 but if parents could help encourage children with their writing it would help to fill some gaps. Also, if you could help your child with money, looking at each coin, letting them pay for a magazine or something similar and collecting the change, that would be great.

This half term the clubs will be:

\*new\* Dance club Monday 3-4  
Multi sports club Tuesday 3-4  
Lego club Thursday 3-4

Clubs start at 3pm and finish at 4.00. Parents should collect their children from the school main entrance. If parents would like any other clubs please suggest them and we will try very hard to make them happen.

On June 16<sup>th</sup> we will be celebrating Den day by building dens and raising money for 'Save the Children's Den Day'. If you can bring in any copper coins (1 & 2ps) on this day, you'll help make life better for children around the world.

From Miss Haywood

## Some of what we will be learning this month...

- Our role play area will be a campsite for this half terms topic. The children can experience singing outdoor camping songs and many team building activities.
- In maths we are focusing closely on using language related to money and time. If you can help by speaking to your child about money and what time they go to bed and what time they wake up - this is very helpful. For example if they can say 'I go to bed at 7 o'clock' they are using time language and can achieve this early learning statement.
- In literacy we are working on writing more. Please ask your child to write a sentence from their reading book. Don't show them it - just say the sentence. I normally say this to them 3 times, then ask them to repeat the sentence to me to make sure they have remembered it. Say the sentence as many times as it is needed as they cannot write it if they can't remember it. This technique also teaches memory as well as literacy skills.

## Things to remember

- **Please remember to remove earrings on PE days (Monday and Wednesday).** All items of jewellery have to be removed for PE and we cannot accept responsibility for the security of these items. It is not safe to do PE activities wearing jewellery. If you have any concerns about this please ask me and I will be pleased to advise you.
- Please check new clothing for names; we are finding jumpers without names in and therefore do not know who to return them to.

## Dates for your diary

### This month

Role play area - Camping

8<sup>th</sup> June - Mufti house colours.

16<sup>th</sup> June - National build a den day.

### Next month

5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> July - transfer days - your child will go to their new class for the day and meet their new teacher.

10-14<sup>th</sup> July - Festivals week. This week the children will be learning all about different festivals. Sports Day will be this week depending on weather.

21<sup>st</sup> July - last day of Reception

