



Cantrell Primary School

Summer Term Newsletter

Class RA and RB



Welcome back to all our children and families. We hope that you have had a wonderful break. We look forward to continuing our work in partnership with you to support your child's learning. Here is some key information about the term ahead.

Topics

Our themes for this term are 'Amazing Animals' and 'Off we go'. This half-term, we will be learning about pets. Does your child have a pet at home? We would love to hear all about it! We will also be learning all about birds. How many different types of birds can you name? Did you know that a group of ducks is called a 'paddling'.

After half-term, we'll be learning about moving on in our topic 'Off We Go'. We will look at different forms of transport. We will also look at the inspirational life story of Amelia Earhart. To conclude the term, we will be talking about moving onto Year 1 and transition. Here's some of our books we'll be using to animate our learning...



School Timings

The school day begins at 8:45. We begin learning immediately so please ensure that your child is on time. If you arrive between 9:00 – 9:30am, you will be asked to wait with your child in the main school reception until a member of staff is able to collect them. The school day finishes at 3:30. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to speak to your class team.

Keeping safe at school

As the weather is getting warmer please can all children come to school with a sunhat (clearly labelled with names on) and a water bottle. Please apply sunscreen on your child before they come to school. Should you wish your child to apply more sunscreen before they go out to lunch please send some sunscreen into school, clearly labelled with your child's name on. Children can apply their own sunscreen and keep it in their tray at school. As the weather can be very unpredictable, all children will still need to bring a raincoat to school. Thank you.

Supporting your child at home

Please support your child's development by:

- ✓ encouraging them to get dressed by themselves, including fastening their coat and putting on gloves;
- ✓ teaching them how to use a knife and fork;
- ✓ helping them to practise writing their name (if they can't already do so);
- ✓ revisiting key sounds/words from their phonics lessons
- ✓ talking to your child about their learning. At the end of each week, we will send you a short summary on Dojo of our week's learning just in case they can't remember!

Reporting illness

If your child is ill, please contact the school office directly, rather than the class teachers. We don't always have the opportunity to access Dojo until later in the day and it is important that attendance is recorded centrally, through the office team. Please call the main office on 0115 9155770 or email: attendance@cantrell.nottingham.sch.uk

Diary dates

EYFS sports day- Wednesday 22nd May
Half-term break – Monday 27th- Friday 31st May
Inset day- Monday 3rd June and Monday 1st July
RSE day- Thursday 27th June
Break up for the summer- Friday 26th July

Reading at home

Reading at home is our main homework priority. Please read with your child as often as you can and record this in their reading diaries (at least x4 reads each week) This could be their school reading book or a book that you have shared together at home. More information can be found in their reading diaries.