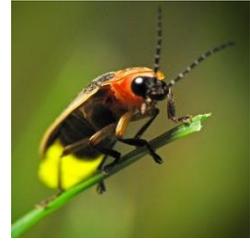
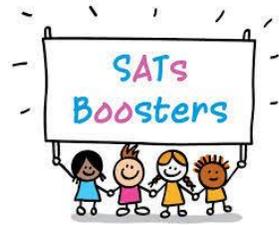


Firefly Class 2018 – 2019

Spring Term Newsletter



Our topic for the Spring Term is 'From Top to Bottom' – a history and geography-based theme. We will be exploring countries and continents from the top of the globe, leading down to the Antarctic, where we will be discovering the journey made by Ernest Shackleton and his team. We will then link our Science topic of animals, and how they have adapted to different climates and habitats.



Boosters: As the SATs are fast approaching, we will be starting our booster classes on Monday afternoons. We are very lucky to have extra support from Mrs Henderson, Mrs Williams and Mrs Munday. We shall be revising the key skills and exam techniques required for SATs. Reading boosters will be allocated for selected children after school; more details will follow.

Spring Term One:

English:

- Persuasive writing;
- Adventure stories.

Maths:

- Solve problems involving ratio and proportion
- Read, write and convert units of measurements



Science:

- Identify how animals and plants are adapted to suit their environment in different ways and that adaptation may lead to evolution
- Recognise that living things produce offspring of the same kind, but normally offspring vary and are not identical to their parents

Spring Term Two:

English:

- Stories with historical settings;
- Discussion texts.

Maths:

- Algebra
express missing number problems algebraically
use simple formulae expressed in words
- Geometry: Properties of shape

Science:

- Describe how living things are classified into broad groups according to common observable characteristics and based on similarities and differences, including micro-organisms, plants and animals;
- Give reasons for classifying plants and animals based on specific characteristics.

Homework:



Reading Eggspress and Mathletics will be set on a Friday and will be expected to be completed by the following Wednesday. The online activities will be based on the previous week's learning; therefore, children should be



familiar with the techniques and strategies. We also encourage children to practise and explore other areas of activities available to further develop their learning.

Spelling changes: To develop further independence, we will be changing the way we test our spellings. Every Friday, children will receive the focused spelling pattern with a few examples that follow that rule. Their homework will be to explore additional words which could potentially be asked in the spelling test on following Friday. This will allow children to fully appreciate spellings which follow the patterns and embed their learning.



PE: Year 6 will have PE every Thursday with Mr. Milner. **Children must have their PE kit in school every.**



Special Events: Year 6 have been invited to visit the Peterborough Hospital to the Accident and Emergency (A+E) department. More details to follow nearer the time.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to arrange an appointment to speak to us.

Thank you,

Miss Christian, Mr Day and Mrs Henderson

