



Wow our final newsletter of the year, what a strange year we have had so far! We hope you enjoyed the Easter break with the children. It is lovely to see them all back, happy to be back with their peers and routines. They seem to be growing so fast. Once again, this letter is intended to inform you of some aspects of school life in the coming months.

Tuesday Library Day!

We will start to send home library books again. Due to COVID staff will change the children's books in school. Remember to send your child in with their book on TUESDAY. By doing this your child will be able to change it for another.



The children are very excited to be starting another new topic this term. Our new topics are 'Sunshine and Sunflowers' and 'Shadows and Reflections'.

We loved seeing the children all dressed as Minibeasts on our first week back to make the topic introduction more memorable for all the children. A big thank you to all the parents that helped with this, some of the homemade creations were brilliant. Here are a few of the stories the children will be visiting this half term:



Reception/Year 1 Reminders

- Please could you ensure your child returns their library book every **Tuesday**.
- PE kits must be returned as soon as possible.
- No earrings should be worn on PE days (**THURSDAY**).
- Please remember to sign your child onto Bug Club at least 3 times a week.
- No laces at school.
- Reception girls no skirts or pinafores until Year 1.
Reception boys no trousers until Year 1.

Summer Uniform

Summer is on its way, so remember due to Health and Safety issues our 'Reception' summer uniform consists of school **GREY** or **BLACK SHORTS** for both **girls and boys**. Girls may also wear **SKORTS** and **CULOTTES**. After a little research, below are just a few of the shops that are supplying the above uniform.

Tesco, Asda, Matalan and Morrisons



Girls playsuit



Cargo shorts



Girls Skorts/cullottes

Please remember footwear should be black & **no laces**.

Summer Diary Dates

- Mon 4th/ Tues 5th May Parents Evening
- Mon 31st May - 4th June Whitsun holiday
- Early July Sports Day
- Fri 23rd July Last Day of Term

HOMWORK

Thank you again to parents and carers for your time and dedication with regards to our homework, if you need any help or have any questions, please see your child's class teacher.

Reading book will be changed on a Friday, your child will have access to 1 book each week which we encourage your child to read at least 3 times a week. There are mini bug challenges within the books. Look for the bug head icon on the page. Staff will check your child has completed the bug challenges before issuing a new book. Please remember they need to have read at least 3 times a week to receive their reading sticker each week.

Year 1 spelling test every **Friday**, new spellings handed out on the same day. Please ask your child's class teacher if they do not return with a new list. It could be in their tray.

PE Kit

Reception parents please ensure your child has a pair of shorts and t-shirt in school, with their name clearly labelled in both. Your child can wear any colour or design **for this term only**. Please ensure all kit is in school by Thursday 6th May at the latest so your child can take part in PE. We will ask the children to put their PE clothes in their PE bags with their plimsolls for safe keeping. If you have any questions regarding this matter feel free

Email reminders!!

Due to COVID if you do want to discuss anything with your child's class teacher, please send them an email. Below are the Nursery / Reception / Year 1 emails;

Ducklings Class (Mrs Dunn) - yearn@newtons.havering.sch.uk

Hedgehogs (Miss Heptinstall) - hedgehogs@newtons.havering.sch.uk

Mice Class (Mrs Mitchell) - mice@newtons.havering.sch.uk

Squirrels Class (Miss Awuah) - squirrels@newtons.havering.sch.uk



Snack Money

Would all parents and carers please give the £5 snack money for the Summer term to your child's teacher when dropping them off in the morning.

Spellings!!

Just a little reminder that **Year 1** children should be practising their spellings every week ready for their test on a **Friday**.

School Uniform

Please can we remind parents to check that all uniform is clearly labelled with your child's name.

Could you also ensure that your child wears the correct uniform; **Reception** - jogging bottoms and polo top

Yr1 - trousers / skirts & pinafores and polo top

All children should be wearing black velcro trainers **NO** boots or laces. Many thanks.

Requests

As the warmer months approach, please ensure your child brings a **water bottle** (no juice) and **sun hat** to school. If your child does not bring a hat, we may have to ask your child to stay in class rather than choose the garden. We would also advise all parents to apply a high factor, long lasting **sun screen** before your child comes to school. This will ensure they are protected throughout the day.