



Otter Class Newsletter

Spring 2 – Week 6 – End of term

Dear Otter Class Families,

Wow – we’re two-thirds of the way through year 6!

This week:

This week saw the children complete their final round of mock SATs. It was tough but the children were all amazing. The official “pass” mark is 100 (not percent but a scaled score, meaning the pass mark is the same every year, for all papers). Whether your child scored over 100 in the last 3 papers or was a little way below, they have all made great progress this year and should be really proud of themselves.

Homework:

Firstly, and most importantly, the children all need to rest and recharge. Next term is the busiest (and most fun!), so they need to be ready and raring to go when we return!

I’m going to send a separate email with the homework in. There will be a choice of pages from the homework books and also some links to online worksheets. The worksheets cannot be completed online, only viewed, so will need to be answered on paper, but there are also PowerPoints explaining various concepts and lots of things to choose from. Plus, many sheets have the answers so that the children can mark their own work. I have set different activities for different children so will send all the info in a further email, that way everyone gets the right stuff for them and there shouldn’t be any mix ups/confusion.

In addition, I cannot stress enough how vital it is for the children to be reading regularly! Please try to keep reading as part of your routine throughout the holidays or make it part of it, if you haven’t already. Reading can be done in so many ways: alone in their head, out loud to themselves, out loud to you/someone else/a pet, you reading to them. A great way to help your child is to ask them questions after they read. Try things like:

- Summarise what you have just read.
- How is *character’s name* feeling at this point? What parts of the text tell you that?

- *Pick something from the bit they've just read and ask something like this – you said they found an old book in a box...how do you know it is old?*
- What do you think will happen next/how will this end/will they get through this part?

Easter SATs sessions:

I'm looking forward to seeing lots of the children on Tuesday for our first SATs session.

We start at 09:00 with English, break at 10:15 and then continue with Maths at 10:30 until 11:45.

If your child has been invited to both or English only, they need to be on the front playground just before 09:00. Please don't arrive too early, but we want to make the most of our time so need everyone to be prompt.

Those children who are doing English only will need to be collected at 10:15, unless you have given them permission to walk home alone.

Children who are doing maths only, need to arrive ready to start at 10:30. Those doing maths or both, need to be collected at 11:45 unless you have given permission for them to leave alone.

Children staying for both sessions should bring a snack for the break and all children need to bring a water bottle. Uniform is obviously not needed.

If you have any questions at all or are unsure of which session your child is coming to, please email and I will get back to you asap.

If your child is no longer able to attend, please let us know so that we know who to expect.

As always, if there is anything you want to discuss, you can email

otter@hinghamprimary.org.uk or catch me on the playground when we return.

Remember, previous newsletters are on our class page, along with links to TTRS and AR.

Look out for further information about homework, have a wonderful break, rest, have fun, and stay safe, and I will see everyone when we return!

Mrs Moore