

**P1/2G Termly Update  
Session 2016-2017  
Term 4**

**Class News**

Welcome back, I hope you all had a great Easter holiday. The class are enthusiastic about this term's learning and we have a busy few weeks ahead. Sports will take place later in the term. We will be organising an activity afternoon as part of our topic. Parents will have the opportunity to visit our classroom in June and we will be going to church for our end of term service. The specific dates and times along with any further information will be sent home in letters nearer the time.

**Weekly Timetable**

Monday	Science	Library
Tuesday	PE	OTTER Club
Wednesday	Drama	
Thursday	Assembly	
Friday	PE	

**This Term's Learning**

**Literacy and English...**

P1 will continue to learn to spell more common words correctly. They will continue to practise writing grammatically correct sentences and to write linked sentences. P2 will continue to carry out language tasks such as dictionary skills and grammar rules to further develop their reading and writing skills. We will be focussing on using good vocabulary, punctuation, connectives and interesting sentence starts to develop our story writing skills. Using our topic as a stimulus we will be writing imaginative stories, reports and instructions. We will use our Nature Explorer activities as the context for developing our listening and talking skills.

**Mathematics...**

P1 will continue to subtract sets. They will continue to learn strategies for adding numbers mentally and to use notation. They will learn to count in 2's, 3's 5's and 10's and to identify odd and even numbers. P2 will be learning mental strategies to add number to 10 and 20 mentally. They will also continue to use place value to add and subtract 10's. Also to use the processes of multiplication and division. P1 and P2 will carry out more data handling and capacity activities.

**Across the Curriculum...**

Our new topic is called In the Garden. We will be learning about plant growth, mini beasts and insects. We will be learning about the conditions required for plants to grow. Learning about mini beasts, their habitats, life cycles and food chains. The Critter Keeper is coming to share his knowledge of mini beasts with us in May and the children will have the opportunity to handle and observe the creatures. Our class will be presenting our learning, with the other P2 classes, at an assembly. Parents will be invited to join us and further information will be sent home nearer the time.

**Home Learning Arrangements**

P1 reading will continue on Tuesdays and Fridays and P2 reading will continue on Mondays and Thursdays. Please bring your book every day for comprehension work. Active Literacy spelling and maths homework will continue in its current format, given out on Monday for Thursday. New targets will be set. Everyone will be given the opportunity to be a Nature Explorer and to present their collections and information to the class.

**Class Notes**

Gym Kit – Shorts, t-shirts and gym shoes should be worn for indoor gym lessons. Earrings should be removed or covered with medical tape and long hair should be tied up.  
During class time the children can have a drink of water from their water bottles.