



Egerton Church of England Primary School

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Bluebirds Newsletter -Term 4

WELCOME

We hope you all enjoyed a relaxing half-term break. As we welcome spring, this term will be packed with new learning!

This term is packed with creative topics and lots of hands-on learning, as the children will be taking part in Forest school every Friday! This term also holds World Book Day, Internet Safety Day and Neuro Diversity week!

This term's topic -

Changing the World

Our theme focuses on how one small voice can make a huge change. We will learn about this through researching three female activists in our history lessons. We will also explore this through narrative writing using the story 'The Building Boy', a book about a boy named Tom who finds the courage to follow his Grandma's legacy as an architect.

Throughout the term, we will become vehicle designers and builders as part of our DT project. Maths continues with our unit on multiplication and division, so learning the times table facts for the 2s, 5s and 10s is very important.

A very exciting term of learning in every way!



PE

This term, we will have PE lessons every week on **Thursdays**. Please ensure your child's kit is in school everyday. No earrings on PE days, please, and can long hair be tied up. Also, please remember that no jewellery should be worn to school. We are also doing Forest School this term, so please make sure the children have all the appropriate gear for this! More information can be found on the letter sent home at the start of term.



RE



This term's RE will focus on the theme of 'Salvation'. We will think about how and why Easter matters to Christians.



World Book Day - 5th March

This year, we are asking children to dress up as a favourite book character (make sure they can talk about who they are and the book they are in!). On the day, we will be enjoying a range of activities linked to books and reading, and making the most of a special day all about reading for pleasure. We can't wait to see you in your costumes!

Reading books

We encourage your child to read at home with you every day, and then we ask that a parent writes a short comment, signs and dates the record book to say your child has read. Your child's book will be changed as soon as they have completed it in school. They need to bring their reading and record book to and from school every day. Thank you for your support with helping your child become a great reader!

Toys and home objects

Just to say thank you for discouraging your child from bringing toys or fidget objects from home. Items often get lost or broken, which leads to upset. If a child needs a fidget toy to support their focus, we can provide suitable ones at school. Your child only needs a water bottle, their reading books, a coat and a snack/lunchbox.

Contact

If you have any worries and would like to speak to me, please contact the school by phone or email, or you can email me directly on Bluebirds@egerton.kent.sch.uk and the team will endeavour to get back to you as soon as possible.

Thank you, Miss Thompson and Miss Ashby



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Home learning activities for Term 4

- **Daily reading** - Please listen to your child **read** their phonics book for 5 - 10 minutes **every day**.
- Please also **read to your child daily** (this could be at bedtime or whenever it fits in with your routine)
- Practice reading and spelling **the year 1 and 2 common exception word list** (see below)
- Spelling games on '**Spelling Shed**' set weekly
- Additional worksheet activities may be sent home from time to time to support consolidation of school learning.

Useful websites:

[1-minute maths app | White Rose Maths \(whiteroseeducation.com\)](#)



[Maths - Topmarks Search](#)



[Most Popular Free Maths Games - Mathsframe](#)



[ictgames || html5 Home Page](#)



[EdShed](#)





Year 1 and 2 Common Exception Words

Year 1

| | | |
|-------|-------|--------|
| the | they | one |
| a | be | once |
| do | he | ask |
| to | me | friend |
| today | she | school |
| of | we | put |
| said | no | push |
| says | go | pull |
| are | so | full |
| were | by | house |
| was | my | our |
| is | here | |
| his | there | |
| has | where | |
| I | love | |
| you | come | |
| your | some | |

Year 2

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|----------|-----------|---------|-----------|
| door | gold | plant | clothes |
| floor | hold | path | busy |
| poor | told | bath | people |
| because | every | hour | water |
| find | great | move | again |
| kind | break | prove | half |
| mind | steak | improve | money |
| behind | pretty | sure | Mr |
| child | beautiful | sugar | Mrs |
| children | after | eye | parents |
| wild | fast | could | Christmas |
| climb | last | should | everybody |
| most | past | would | even |
| only | father | who | |
| both | class | whole | |
| old | grass | any | |
| cold | pass | many | |



Cursive Lower Case Letters

