

This week the children have;

- Added and subtracted decimals with the same number of decimal places
- Enjoyed a Paperless Day which included taking part in a Conscience Corridor drama exercise, combining PE and Maths skills in an outdoor 'build a frog' challenge and enjoying a 'Beetle Drive' based on the structure of a flower

So next week we shall be;

- Making notes and précising a text
- Adding and subtracting decimals with different numbers of decimal places
- Completing CAT4 assessments
- Enjoying session of FitFence
- Learning about the life and work of Sir David Attenborough

SRE lessons

Part of this term will be focusing on delivering SRE (Sex and Relationships Education) content to the class. This is an important part of the PSHE curriculum and links to this term's topic of 'Life Cycles'. A letter has been sent home today with further details on the content and timing of the lessons. Please return the signed consent form to school by **Monday 30th April**.

CAT4 Assessments

As part of our school assessments the class will be completing CAT4 assessments this term. These assessments can be used to inform your decision to apply for the Kent Test as part of the PESE (Primary Education Secondary Education) transfer process. We will be holding a PESE meeting on **Monday 21st May from 3.15pm** (straight after Term 5 Book Look) where we will be providing details of the process of transferring to secondary school and offer an opportunity to answer any questions you may have about the process. Results of the CAT4 assessments will also be available to you on that day. This is an important event as the application for Year 7 secondary school places (for current Year 5 pupils) need to be completed by **31st October 2018**.

INSET Day

The school will be closed to pupils on **Friday 4th May** due to an INSET Day. As Monday 7th May is a Bank Holiday we look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Tuesday 8th May.

Busters Book Club

Busters Book Club continues this term so please remember to keep those Reading Records and especially those Book Club Bookmarks up to date. New bookmarks for the Summer Term have been attached to Reading Records.

Homework

This week the focus is on Maths. The children have been set an activity on Diagnostic Questions linked to the Maths lessons completed this week. The children should have their log-ins stuck into their Reading Record but if they have misplaced them please let us know so we can provide them with a replacement. This homework should be completed by **Friday 4th May**.

Spellings

Next week we will be testing those spellings listed as 'TERM 5: To be tested 04.05.18' on the spelling sheets. These sheets are available in the Class section of the website. Due to the INSET Day on Friday 4th May these spellings will be tested in school on **Thursday 3rd May**.

Times tables

Please remember to use Times Table Rockstars as a way to improve and maintain accuracy of recall in times tables. Times Tables will be tested on **Thursday 3rd May**.

If obtaining access to the internet is a problem the children are welcome to complete their homework at school - we would ask them to check with an adult when the most convenient time would be to use the IT suite.

Have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Culver and The Year 5 Teaching Team