Dear Parents,

This half term our topic will be 'You are formally invited…'. We will be learning about our monarchy and will be continuing our learning about the UK. At the start of this topic the children will be taking part in an interactive bus tour of London. Our final outcome for this topic is for the pupils to plan and host a street party to which you will be formally invited!

Dates For Your Diary:

Phonic Screen Meeting: Thursday 2nd May
Book Share in school: Tuesday 21st May
Street Party: Thursday 23rd May

Contacting Us:

If you need to contact us, please use email or Dojo. If you need to contact us during teaching hours please contact the school office.

School Office: 0161 432 3944

Science.

We are looking at naming and testing properties of materials. We will be comparing and grouping objects according to their properties and carrying out an investigation into which material is the most absorbent.

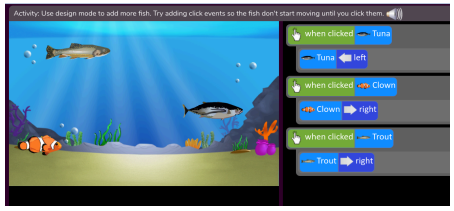
English
This half term in English we will be looking at writing letters. We will be using the story of the Queen's Hat to stimulate our ideas and writing, alongside our London tour and our History and geography work, to write a letter home about a visit to London. We will be exploring using conjunctions, capital letters for days of the week and place names and a variety of punctuation.

History.

We are going to be learning about the monarchy and how Britain has had a ruling monarch for many years. We will be learning about significant monarchs from the past, including Queen Elizabeth 2. We will learn about what a family tree is and be asking you to complete a family tree at home after looking at the royal family tree.

Maths
We will be beginning to count in 2's, 5's and 10's, looking at groups of 2s, 5s and 10s. We will then begin to explore arrays. We will be making doubles of amounts and then explore halves of shapes and amounts to begin our fraction unit. Finally we will be exploring quarters. All whilst continuing to practise our number bonds with our weekly maths minutes.

ICT
This half term in ICT we are finishing our computer coding unit. We will be learning to code using 2code on Purplemash. We will then be learning about giving directions in the second half of the term.



PHSCE
We are going to discuss what it means to be healthy, how to stay healthy and who helps us to do this. We will discuss how to stay healthy in the sun and why we have rules in order to keep us safe.

PE
Children will continue to have their weekly outdoor games session on a Tuesday afternoon with the school sports coaches.

On Tuesday mornings gymnastics with Mrs Buchanan and continuing to work on their BAGA awards.

Music
In music the children will be learning songs from 'The King is in the castle.' We will be changing our voices to suit different characters, explore how music tells a story and play accompanying rhythms.

D and T.
Textiles. We are going to be designing and making a new purse for a Queen after researching symbols of the UK and the monarchy. We will try lots of different ways of attaching components and then make a decision which one to use.