



# Buxton Primary School

## Tiger Class Spring Newsletter

Dear parents and carers,

Welcome back! I hope you all had a lovely Christmas break. It is great to see all the children back at school and ready to learn again. They have made a super start to the year, remembering lots of our old routines and listening carefully to anything new for this term. Here are a few reminders for you too and an outline of our spring term learning:

**Our School Day** - Our gates are open from **8:20am** to **8:30am** and we finish at **3:00pm**.

**Belongings** – Please remember to send your child in with named belongings and a water bottle every day, paying attention to the weather.

**PE** - PE days will still be on **Monday** and **Thursday**. Please ensure that your child comes to school on these days wearing their School PE kit (underneath a tracksuit in cooler weather). Ensure your child has long hair tied back and that earrings are removed prior to school on these days, if your child cannot do this themselves.

**Forest Schools** – Tigers have Forest Schools on a **Tuesday** this term, so please make sure they have suitable wellies, trousers / jogging bottoms or waterproofs, a long sleeved top / jumper and coat in a plastic bag that day. Bear in mind these are likely to get muddy if it is wet.


**Reading** – It is essential that the children continue to read regularly, a small amount every day ideally, to improve their fluency, confidence and develop vocabulary. Books will be checked and changed weekly and your child will have the opportunity to change them each morning as needed. Please encourage them to be more and more independent with this. Thank you.

**Homework** – Homework will be sent home every Friday and should be returned on the following Wednesday, ready for marking and re-issuing. This will be focused on practising the following core skills every week;

- Reading – It is expected that your child will read at home AT LEAST 3 times each week. Please sign and date in the reading record each time you read together. Please ensure your child has their reading diary and book in school **every day**.
- Spellings – Children will have up to 6 spellings to focus on each week which are tested on either Thursdays or Fridays.
- Maths/English – Children will be given about a page of maths and/or English each week, with regular ‘Reading Eggs / Maths Seeds’, ‘TT Rock Stars’ or ‘Purple Mash’ activities that they can do in order to practise and develop their fluency. (The passwords for these can be found on the inside cover of their homework books).

In addition to this, we will continue setting our half termly project.

**Learning** – we will start with the following learning focus for this term;

<b>Science</b> – Living things and their habitats. Animals, including humans.	<b>Maths</b> – Addition, subtraction multiplication and division. Measure and Fractions.	<b>Art</b> – Painting and colour mixing. Papier Mache.
<b>English</b> – Postcards, letters, information texts, stories and instructions.		<b>Geography</b> – Our World, the 7 continents and 5 oceans.
<b>Guided reading</b> – A variety of fiction and non-fiction texts.	<b>PSHE</b> – votes for schools. <b>Forest Schools.</b>	<b>PE</b> – Gymnastics, Dance and Net and Ball games.

**Please note;** the children have now been set individual targets in English and Maths, which they strive to achieve alongside the above learning.

I’m looking forward to a super spring term with your children. Please contact the school and arrange to speak to me if you have any questions.

Kind regards,  
Mr Beale