



Butter Cove Class

Weekly Newsletter
Friday 20th May 2022



Home Learning

Reading

Reading is key to everything your child will do in school. At Thurlestone we want our children to be confident readers with a love of books. Children are expected to read at least four times a week. Please also encourage the children to bring their reading records to school. It is wonderful to see which books they are reading and to share their favourite characters and stories with them.

Times Tables

The class of Butter Cove have logins and passwords to enable them to practise Times Tables Rockstars and Numbots at home. Please encourage this as much as possible. Memorising times tables makes it far quicker and easier for children to work out maths problems in their heads. Moving beyond using their fingers to work out answers, they'll gradually be able to use their knowledge to quickly solve any multiplication questions.

Every week, I will set spellings. The children will have a sheet of look, cover, write and check spellings to complete ready for an assessment the following week.

Dear all,

I can't quite believe how quickly we are approaching half term and we still have so many things to look forward to, including our Jubilee Celebration and our SHH Tag Rugby Festival with the Exter Chiefs next week!

This week in Butter Cove...

We have continued with our English writing this week and the children amazed Miss Coombe on Tuesday morning with their wonderful use of dialogue showing conscious control to move the story on, adverbial phrases and alliterative sentences to describe their favourite snacks to eat at the zoo. They have become experts at deepening the moment and loved telling Miss Coombe all about it!



As geographers we continued our learning about the country Greece and its physical features. We discovered that Greece has the longest coastline in Europe and is the southernmost country in Europe. The mainland has rugged mountains, forests, and lakes, but the country is well known for the thousands of islands dotting the blue Aegean Sea to the east, the Mediterranean Sea to the south, and the Ionian Sea to the west.

As mathematicians, Year 4 have been representing halves and quarters using the Rekenreks model to help them to visualise addition and subtraction strategies. Year 5 have been adding and subtracting wholes and decimals. We are nearing the end of this unit and will complete the end of block assessment on Monday.

As global citizens, we studied 1 Corinthians 13:4-7 to think about how we show love. We read the letter that Paul wrote to the Church at Corinth. Paul talks about love and it is a good reminder for us as every day. Paul begins by saying that if you do not have love, you are like a clanging cymbal! The children wrote about what love means to Butter Cove and how we endeavour show this in our daily lives.

Frazoo - I hope that the children shared their experience with you of meeting Lola the royal python, Betty and Lettuce the giant stick insects and the amazing crested gecko - Toothless, last Friday. The children absolutely loved the session with Fraz and came away wanting an unusual array of pets!





PE

A wonderful Friday afternoon of PE practising once again for Sports Day! The children amaze me with their boundless energy to participate in our relay games (running, hopping, jumping, skipping) and a recap of the standing long jump, running into long jump, speed bounce and over arm throws with a tennis ball. Brilliant!

Forest School

Here are some pictures from last week's session – aren't they a fabulous bunch!

Please come and see me if you have any questions, I am on the playground at the end of each day.

Enjoy the weekend!

Mrs Hatch

Star of the Week!



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Ula

WOW! Ula, you are an absolute superstar! I love your contributions to our class discussions, especially when they are daydreaming about passion fruit and making us all giggle! Your creative and imaginative ideas are an inspiration to us all! Well done!

EVERYday
counts
attendance matters

Attendance

Our attendance target is 98%

Last Week's Attendance was 98.89%

AMAZING... well done Butter Cove!

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 25th May – Queen's Platinum Jubilee Community Cream Tea

Monday 30th May – Friday 4th June – Half Term

Monday 6th June – Additional Bank Holiday

Tuesday 7th June – INSET Day

Monday 13th June (6 weeks recurring) – Year 5 Swimming Lessons

Thursday 7th July – Sports Day & family Picnic Lunch

Friday 22nd July – End of the Year