

# St Philip's C of E Primary School

## Newsletter Summer 2026

### Our learning this half term...

This half term our topic is called 'Me and my outdoor world'. We are learning about what lives in our outdoor world. Already, the children have planted broad beans and cress. They have been on a minibeast hunt in the garden and discovered snails, woodlouse, spiders and worms. We have also started to build our own bug hotel.

We are also learning about the lifecycle of a butterfly. This week, the children have been fascinated as they watch our tiny caterpillars grow.

In phonics, the children who are starting Reception in September have started to learn the set one sounds. They will be bringing home homework to complete. The children who will be staying in Nursery next year, have been playing listening games, learning rhymes and practicing vocal sounds.

In mathematics our older children have been learning to recognise dot patterns, match numeral and quantity and create repeating patterns. Our younger children are learning to touch, move and count objects of interest. They are learning lots of counting songs.

We will be visiting our school forest every Friday. This half term we will be exploring our forest school and learning to play some forest games.

### Reminders:

- As the weather starts to become milder. Please send your child with suncream on and a sunhat when needed.
- Our next 50 things workshop is on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April between 8:30 and 9:30. Please attend with your child or if you are unable to attend then drop your child at the later time of 9:30.
- Please encourage your child to put their own coat and shoes on at home.
- A polite reminder to pay £9 staples money this half term.
- Please return your payment for the farm visit which will be taking place in June.

### Finally...

Please remember to put a star sticker on the 50 things wall in the cloakroom as you complete them.

Thank you so much for your continued support.

Mrs Webster, Mrs Fareed, Mrs Esmail  
and Mrs Altaf

### Next half term we will be learning...

Our topic will be 'Girlington Explorers'. We will be learning about our local area and about how to navigate ourselves around our school. We will also have a visit from Ian's Mobile Farm.

