

## Queensgate Foundation Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you have had a lovely Easter holiday!

Attached to this letter is a theme overview for this first half of the Summer Term. This half-term our learning will focus on Charles Darwin, his life and voyage to the Galapagos. This will link into learning about information texts (non-chronological reports), plants and using our observation skills to look closely at nature. As a family homework challenge, we invite you to observe and collect natural objects like Darwin did, please check the overview for more details.

Towards the end of May, year 2 pupils will be taking part in Key Stage 1 SATS. These will consist of 2 reading papers, 2 maths papers and a spelling, punctuation and grammar paper and will be presented to children as quizzes to help assess their learning. The SATS are used alongside evidence from lessons and your teacher's knowledge of your child's attainment to form an end of year assessment for your child. If you have any queries about the process or would like to find out more, please get in touch. Please continue to read daily with your child and practise times tables and addition and subtraction facts at home. These skills will help your child feel confident in lessons and prepare them for our "quizzes"!

Our PE will be on Tuesdays this half term, for both 2KA and 2GC. We ask that children arrive at school in their PE kit on these days please. PE kit includes: blue round neck T-Shirt, navy shorts or jogging bottoms, trainers for outside PE and a navy jumper (normal school jumper will be fine).

Our PPA activities are on Wednesdays and will be led by Mrs Bradbury for cookery, Mrs Cox for maths, Mrs Hiscock for Computing and Mrs Jacobs for library. Your child will have access to the library every other week, please ensure books are back in school after 2 weeks so that your child can choose a new book.

As the summer weather is (hopefully!) on its way, please ensure children have a hat in school and a named water bottle. Just a reminder that water bottles should contain water only please. It is also the season when jumpers get left on the field - please ensure all jumpers are clearly named so that they can be returned to you child!

Thank you for all of your support so far this year, as always, if you have any queries or wish to discuss your child's education further please contact the office for an appointment or drop us an email.

Yours sincerely,

The year 2 team - 2KA - Mrs Arnell, Mrs Cox and Mrs Tate 2GC -Ms Gibbins, Mrs Hiscock and Mrs Jacobs





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