

Reception Newsletter

Spring Term 2

I hope you all having a well-deserved rest break and are looking forward to everything we have in store for the term ahead. We are officially half way through the year, and we have learnt so much already!

This half-term, our new topic is:

Fun on the Farm



(See topic web)

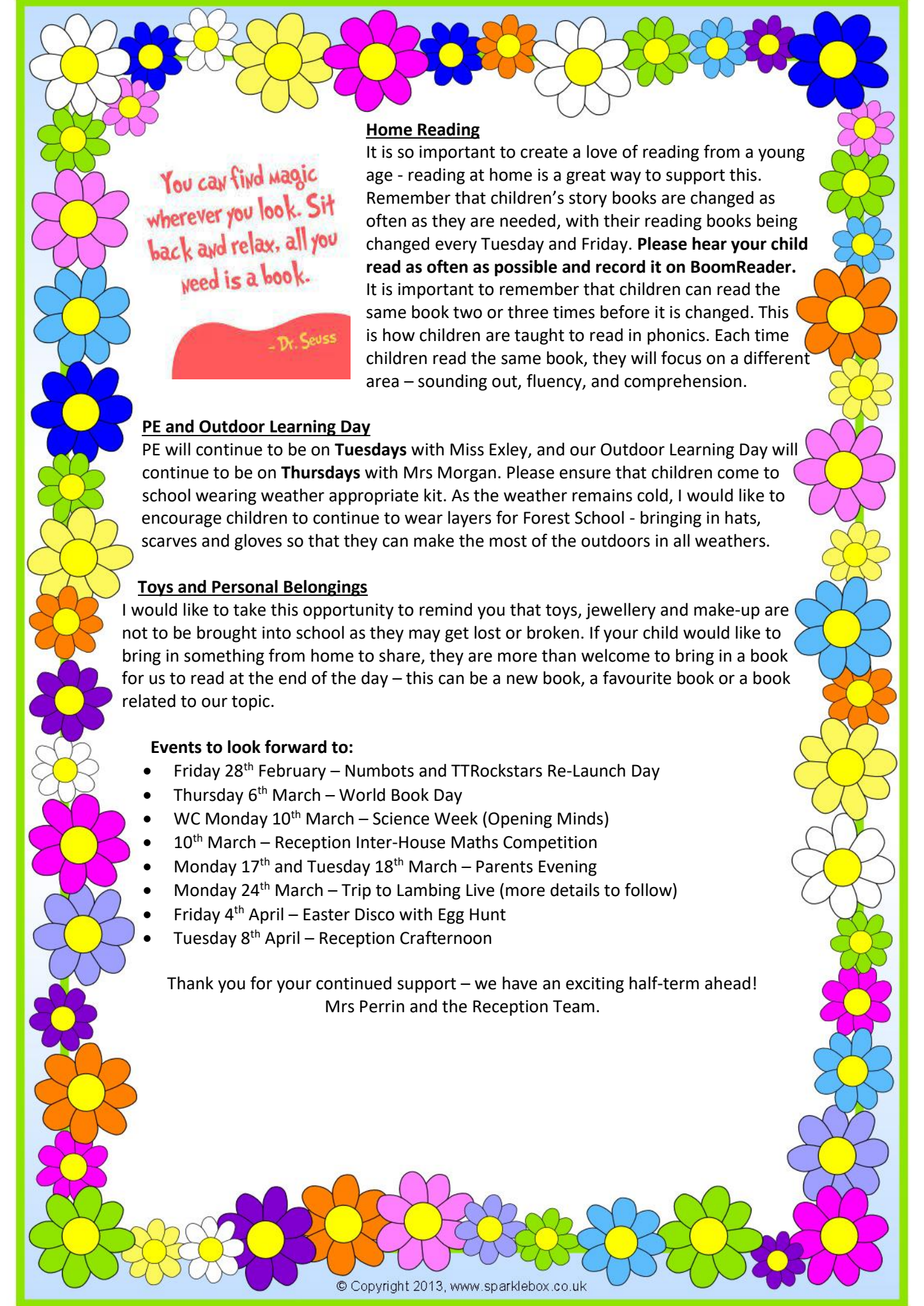
During this topic we will be looking at growth in plants, animals and people. We will find out about how plants grow and grow some of our own. We will experiment by changing their environment and what we give the plants, to see which plants grow the best. We will also study the life-cycle of a frog and a butterfly, understanding that not all babies look like their parents. We will learn about new life and get to experience this first hand when we go to see some lambs being born on our Lambing Live trip!

If you want to take part in our topic at home, you could:

- Plant a seed and watch it grow.
- Go on a walk and see what new life you come across – can you spot any blossom, or a baby animal?
- Go food shopping with your grown-ups and find out where different foods come from.



Please put any photos and videos on Seesaw for us to see what you have been doing!



*You can find magic
wherever you look. Sit
back and relax, all you
need is a book.*

- Dr. Seuss

Home Reading

It is so important to create a love of reading from a young age - reading at home is a great way to support this. Remember that children's story books are changed as often as they are needed, with their reading books being changed every Tuesday and Friday. **Please hear your child read as often as possible and record it on BoomReader.** It is important to remember that children can read the same book two or three times before it is changed. This is how children are taught to read in phonics. Each time children read the same book, they will focus on a different area – sounding out, fluency, and comprehension.

PE and Outdoor Learning Day

PE will continue to be on **Tuesdays** with Miss Exley, and our Outdoor Learning Day will continue to be on **Thursdays** with Mrs Morgan. Please ensure that children come to school wearing weather appropriate kit. As the weather remains cold, I would like to encourage children to continue to wear layers for Forest School - bringing in hats, scarves and gloves so that they can make the most of the outdoors in all weathers.

Toys and Personal Belongings

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you that toys, jewellery and make-up are not to be brought into school as they may get lost or broken. If your child would like to bring in something from home to share, they are more than welcome to bring in a book for us to read at the end of the day – this can be a new book, a favourite book or a book related to our topic.

Events to look forward to:

- Friday 28th February – Numbots and TTRockstars Re-Launch Day
- Thursday 6th March – World Book Day
- WC Monday 10th March – Science Week (Opening Minds)
- 10th March – Reception Inter-House Maths Competition
- Monday 17th and Tuesday 18th March – Parents Evening
- Monday 24th March – Trip to Lambing Live (more details to follow)
- Friday 4th April – Easter Disco with Egg Hunt
- Tuesday 8th April – Reception Crafternoon

Thank you for your continued support – we have an exciting half-term ahead!
Mrs Perrin and the Reception Team.