

Riverside Primary School

# Curriculum Newsletter for Families: Summer 1

## Year Three

This half term our theme is...



# Spring Watch



Welcome to a new half term Year 3! This newsletter provides you with the opportunity to find out all about what your child will be learning over the coming weeks, along with some ideas and suggestions for some activities you could try to support their learning at home.

### What are we learning during this theme?

Our curriculum theme this half term is 'Spring Watch' where the children's learning will be based on the season of Spring. During their Science lessons, children will be studying the structure and functions of plants. In Computing, the children will be developing their programming skills using Turtle Logo and Scratch. In their PSHE lessons, pupils will be learning about making positive choices to support their health and well-being.

You can also find more information about our learning on our Medium Term plan and via our Knowledge Organisers, which are available on our school website: <https://www.riversideprimary.co.uk/curriculum/>

### Trips, Visitors and Experiences

This half-term, middle school children will be visiting Kendal Park, local nature reserve in Hullbridge to enrich their experience and understanding of plants, as part of their Science topic.

A reminder that Year 3 will be having their swimming sessions as part of their PE curriculum this half-term. Please ensure that your child comes to school in their PE kit, with their swimming things on a Wednesday (Tiger Class) and Thursday (Panda Class).

### How can you support your child at home?

Every week, your child will receive their usual home learning tasks of reading, spelling and times table practice and the expectation is that these are completed daily. Children will also be given a larger homework task to complete once a week and this will alternate every other week from being a piece of written English work or a piece of maths work from the CGP workout books.

In addition to this, please find some suggestions below of how to support your child's learning this half-term:

## Things to do:

### Create some wild art

Explore a place near you and try painting the colourful flowers that bloom. Use your paints, crayons or any other materials that you find to create your masterpiece. Have you got a lot of daffodils in your own garden?

### Go on a nature scavenger hunt

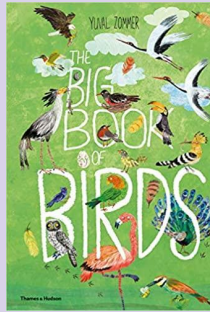
The children can look for new green leaves, some blossoms and flowers growing.

## Books to read:

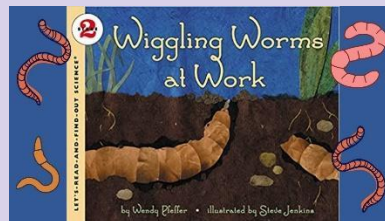
Springwatch British Wildlife:  
Accompanies the BBC  
Author Stephen Moss



The Big Book Of Birds  
Author: Yuval Zommer



Wiggling Worms at Work  
Author: Wendy Pfeffer



## Things to watch:

Here are a selection of interesting clips that your child could watch

Britain in spring time - BBC video

[KS1 / KS2 Science: How spring affects plants and animals - BBC Teach](#)

The amazing world of worms video

[Earthworms - springwatch](#)