

Term 6 – FOUNDATION

Curriculum Newsletter

June 2018

Dear Parents / Carers of **«Name» («Reg»)**,

For the children's final term in Foundation the theme will be based around 'The Sea'

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Our personal, social and emotional development priority for this term is transition and preparing the children to move to Year 1. On Thursday 5th July, the children will register in Foundation as normal. At 9am they will find out who their Year 1 teacher is and they will then spend the day in Year 1 with them. After a lovely and exciting day, your children will be dismissed from the hall at home time (the new Foundation cohort will be in the Foundation classrooms.) After school you will receive a letter giving details of the next year's whole school staffing / class model and next year's draft calendar. You are also invited to visit your child's new teacher in year 1 to introduce yourself after school on Thursday 5th July.

Please also note from the dates below that there are **two trips** in this term, which we really need your help with. If you are able to support us, please check that your DBS check with the school office is up to date and let us know you if you can help. If you have not got a DBS check and you would like to help on either trip then please see the school office and they will be able to issue one to you. Further details about both trips will follow.

Communication, Language and Literacy

During the next few weeks we will enjoy sharing stories and we will also be exploring non-fiction / information books so feel free to encourage your child to bring in any you may have at home. We will be writing our own stories focusing on the use of story language and the application of tricky words in our writing.

In order to encourage the children's communication skills when talking to large groups (Show and Tell), we welcome children bringing in any items relating to our Sea/Seaside topic – this could include writing or drawing, a story or information book or a homemade model. (Please note that toys are not allowed in school).

Knowledge and Understanding of the World

The children have asked to learn about sea creatures, the seaside in the past and how human activities have affected our seas. Some children are already very knowledgeable about the issues in the news about plastic and have asked if we can talk some more about that.

Maths

In maths we will be learning all about money and time. We will be consolidating the children's understanding of doubling, halving, number recognition and counting as well as having a big focus on practising a rapid mental recall of number bonds to 5 and 10 eg: $2+8=10$, $10=3+7$.

Expressive Arts and Design

We will be making our own seaside pictures inspired by Eric Carle's story 'The Seahorse'. The children will be printing and creating their own sea creature pictures.

Learning Journals

The Learning Journals do not continue in Key Stage 1 so your child will be bringing these home at the end of the year. You will have a chance to talk to us about these at the parent consultations on 3rd & 4th July. Look out for the sign up sheets just before these dates. We hope you enjoy looking at them for many years to come.

Cake Day

Thank you so much for your continued support at Cake Day. The money raised is invaluable and we have spent it on small world, outdoor construction and role play items.

FOCCS

With the money from Foccs and the whole school Book Bingo we have purchased lots of lovely new books. Thank you for your support.



Dates for the Diary:

Monday 18th June – Track Races

Wednesday 20th June - INSET day - school closed

Friday 22nd June – Sports Day

Monday 25th June – Dance and sports fun with Winsley Foundation children at their school.

Tuesday 3rd July – Parent Consultations

Wednesday 4th July – Parent Consultations

Thursday 5th July – Whole School Taster Day

Monday 16th July – Multi skills at Victory Fields with our cluster schools foundation classes.

Tuesday 17th July – School Trip to Bristol Zoo.

Wednesday 25th July – Last day of term and this academic year!

And Finally ...

We would like to thank you for supporting us throughout this year. We are thoroughly enjoying teaching your wonderful children; they are a lovely year group.

Miss Martin, Mrs Blankley, Mrs Morling and Mrs Robinson