

Reception class

Week beginning 13.7.20

Dear Parents,



For this last week of home learning I suggest that you continue to do phonics with Rosie – Hold a sentence 1 and Red words as usual.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tQR4v4_KBjQ



For maths do IXL or Oxford Owl maths games. There are some great ones to choose.

<https://home.oxfordowl.co.uk/kids-activities/fun-maths-games-and-activities/>



At this time of year we would be spending lots of time outside, making the most of the good weather, working on our physical skills of throwing and catching, running, skipping, hopping and balancing.

We would also be looking at the birds and mini beasts in our Outdoor area. Perhaps you could do a scavenger hunt when you next go out for a walk to help your child to tune in to what's around them.

Very well done for being a home educator with all of the distractions, frustrations and joys that comes from trying to work with your child at home. Whether you have done all, most or even a little of what we have suggested, everything you have done with your child will pay dividends for next year.

We are in the process of having handover meetings with the Year 1 teachers about each child. We talk about their personalities, their likes, dislikes, strengths and things that they need to work on. As a school, we are planning the Autumn Term curriculum which will take the last 4 month of disruption into account. It will address gaps in the children's learning in a thorough and structured way and will enable them to move forward quickly but without overloading them. We will also be paying particular attention to their emotional well-being as they return to school after such a long break.

After such a worrying time, it is important that the children relax but working **occasionally** during the summer holidays would keep skills sharp. The main focus of Year 1 Literacy is writing sentences independently, using the phonics that they know. Playing online games like those above or IXL, would help with maths. If you did just a little of each occasionally, together with some reading from the Oxford owl, the children would be well prepared for Year 1.

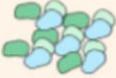
We wish you and your families a happy and safe summer with good health and we thank you for your support during this very unusual year.

From Mrs Duffy and Mr Cowan



Beach Hunt Checklist



<input type="checkbox"/>  seaweed	<input type="checkbox"/>  Frisbee
<input type="checkbox"/>  feather	<input type="checkbox"/>  beach
<input type="checkbox"/>  sea glass	<input type="checkbox"/>  rock pool
<input type="checkbox"/>  pat- terned	<input type="checkbox"/>  seagull
<input type="checkbox"/>  crab	<input type="checkbox"/>  kite
<input type="checkbox"/>  3 shells	<input type="checkbox"/>  ice cream van

My Five Senses Scavenger Hunt

Something smooth 	Something rough 	Something that makes a noise 
Something round 	Something yellow 	Something that came from a plant 
Something that has a smell 	Something long 	Something man-made 
Something soft 	Something you can eat 	Something red 

My I Spy Scavenger Hunt

Before this activity, you may wish to discuss with children the dangers of touching/eating berries and how to look for small creatures without disturbing/hurting them.

smooth leaf 	spiky leaf 	twigs on the ground 	rocks 
soil 	smooth bark 	rough bark 	nuts or seeds 
fruit or berries 	red flowers 	yellow flowers 	white flowers 
flying insect 	ants 	caterpillar 	butterfly 
spider 	web 	snail 	nest 
feather 	bird flying 	footprints 	animal droppings 

Weights and Measures Scavenger Hunt

Collect:

- The lightest object.
- The smallest stone.
- A stick which is about 10cm long.
- A coin.
- The longest leaf.
- Something that will fall the slowest.
- Something that is longer than a hand span.
- The widest piece of bark.
- A flower that is smaller than a thumbnail.
- Something that will float on water.
- A blade of grass the same length as my thumb.
- Two different things which are exactly the same height.



Measure:

- How many times you can jump in 60 seconds.
- How many times you can clap in ten seconds.
- How many star jumps you can do in 1 minute.



Challenge:

- Who can keep frozen still whilst estimating 1 minute?



