

SPRING

Newsletter for Spring Term One - January 2019



Welcome back everyone!

We would like to say a HUGE Thank you for the wonderful Christmas wishes, cards and gifts. We felt very lucky and appreciated by you all! We hope you had a relaxing break!

Read Write Inc.

Reading is the **KEY** to learning

Reading Books

All of the children have now got their home reading book. The books will be changed every Friday. Books will only be changed if the yellow reading record is written in and signed. Please spend 5-10 minutes reading at least three times a week.

Remember that you don't have to read the books cover to cover each day, you can pick and choose one of the stories. Just record which bit that you have done together and let us know how your child is getting along.

Any comments/problems with any of the above, please come and see us. We will be following reading progress and comments very closely this term as it is our priority.

The children will continue to be encouraged to choose a 'green spot' book if they wish; this is always great for a bedtime story!

Phonics

This term's phonics will focus on revisiting and consolidating sounds and red words taught so far. We will spend time encouraging children to both read and write simple sentences. Homework will continue to be set on a Friday for completion by Wednesday. Please record any work that you do with your child.

Our Topic

This term our topic is adventure based...

Come with me!

The children will be ahoy-ing with pirates, stomping with dinosaurs and celebrating the Chinese New Year! We will be thinking about types of pets and our birthday celebrations too.

In Maths we will cover missing numbers in number sentences, 3D shapes, adding how many altogether in a group of objects, counting using money, number doubling and estimating.

If you have any books, stories or useful resources that can be used during our topic, please feel free to send them in.

Remember to check out the Reception notice board for weekly challenges and topic information.

School Uniform

Please make sure that your child has a named PE Kit and set of forest school clothes in school at all times. Please ensure that all items of uniform are named. During the colder months we do ask that you send your child in with a warm waterproof coat and hat and gloves where necessary. As the weather begins to warm up, we ask that you send in a suitable sun hat.

Targets

The new Spring term targets have now been added to the homework books. Please take time to practice these at home regularly, we will also continue to do so at school. They are personalised to your child's learning and it really does make a difference that you do them at home too.

We will be holding Parents meetings later this term. Please see the dates below. Online booking will open in the period just before the dates set.

Diary Dates

Monday 7th January – Back to Spring Term

Friday 8th February – Chinese New Year Celebration Day

18th – 22nd February – HALF TERM WEEK

Tuesday 19th March – Parent Consultation Evening

Thursday 21st March – Parent Consultation Evening

Friday 29th March – INSET Day (Children not in school)

Friday 12th April – Easter Craft Morning

Friday 12th April – Last day of term.

Monday 29th April – Start of Summer Term.



Topic Overview Spring 1 2019

Come with me...

Week 1 – **Dinosaurs** – *Harry and his bucketful of Dinosaurs*

Week 2 – **Dinosaurs** – *Dinosaurs love Underpants*

Week 3 – **Festival of Trees** – *Spot's Windy Day*

Week 4 - **Pirates** – *My Granny is a Pirate*

Week 5 – **Chinese New Year** – *The Runaway Wok*

Week 6 – **Pets** – *The Perfect Pet*