

Sunflowers and Daffodils Newsletter Spring Term 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas break with your families, thank you for all the generous gifts, cards and wishes. The children have come back to school looking very smart and are ready to learn. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support last term, we are extremely proud of the way your children have settled into full time school.

Miss Ward, Miss Jenkins, Mrs Baker, Mrs Heaton and Mrs Fell

Our topics are:
'Let's Imagine' in Spring 1 - We will be focusing on **Pirates**
 In Week 4 and 5 we will be learning all about the Chinese New Year
'Watch me grow' in Spring 2 - We will be focusing on similarities, differences and changes

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will be focusing on:

- Working together in a small group
- Using our five senses to help us talk about things
- Thinking of our own ideas
- Explaining why we think something
- Understanding and managing our own feelings
- Resolving conflicts with our friends



Literacy

We will be focusing on:

- Reading letter sounds
- Writing letter shapes
- Hearing and saying the initial sound in words
- Sounding out and **reading** simple words
- Sounding out and **writing** simple words
- Reading and writing simple sentences
- Writing our name



Physical Development

We will be focusing on:

- Experimenting with different ways to travel
- Moving safely in different ways on apparatus
- Improving throwing and catching skills
- Controlling our small and large movements
- Holding a pencil correctly when writing and drawing
- Learning about being healthy



Numeracy

We will be focusing on:

- Recognising numbers up to 20 and beyond
- Ordering numbers to 20
- Saying the number that is one more and one less than a given number
- Adding two groups of objects to find a total
- Estimating how many objects we can see
- Recognising and naming 2D shapes and 3D shapes



Understanding of the World

We will be focusing on:

- Talking about things we enjoy doing
- Understanding that other people may enjoy doing different things
- Learning about how we can get to different places around us



Communication and Language

We will be focusing on:

- Understanding that stories have a beginning, middle and end
- Retelling familiar stories
- Describing story settings and characters
- Talking about how we feel and why we feel that way
- Using 'because' when we talk



Expressive Arts and Design

We will be focusing on:

- Constructing with a purpose in mind
- Using different tools appropriately to construct
- Adapting our models and improving them



Things to remember!

PE- Fridays

Homework

Your child will bring home a reading book each week along with their letter sound books, 'green' words and 'red tricky' words. It would benefit your child if you could 5 /10 minutes each evening reading/talking about the book with your child. Please leave a comment in their reading record each time then we can change their book regularly.

Home Learning Folder

Your child can bring in anything that they have done at home which they are proud of!

