

## Reception Newsletter – Summer 2

### Welcome

Welcome to Summer 2. Our topic this half term is called 'Hooray for Summer'. We will be learning and exploring the different things that happen during the summer. We will be planting some sunflower and bean seeds. Then we will learn about going on holiday to different places and looking closely at the seaside.

### Phonics

We are moving forward with our phonics and reading. The children are becoming more confident with their letter sounds and blending of words. We will be moving onto the next level of phonics which will support writing.

**Phonics**

### Literacy

The children are being encouraged to become independent writers. We will be doing lots of writing based around stories and their characters. The stories are linked to the current topic. This week we have been enjoying stories about 'Summer' and what happens during the summer months. We will then go on to books about growing, holidays and the seaside. Children will be encouraged to read simple sentences and books consistent to their phonic knowledge. We will be working with the children to confidently form recognisable letters.



### Maths

Within our maths sessions the children will build upon their number knowledge, practice counting backwards and forwards from 20. Reinforcing number bonds to 10, encouraging the children to understand odd and even numbers. Understand the concept of sharing and continue to create more complex patterns.

### Communication and language

We will continue to encourage the children to listen and make comments about their learning. Engage in conversations with their peers and adults.

Also encourage them to express their ideas and feelings using full understandable sentences. To recall experiences and events in detail.



### Personal, social and emotional development

We will continue to support the children to make positive relationships with both their peers and the adults in Rabbits class and the rest of the school community. We will continue to encourage independence and how to keep themselves and each other safe.



### **Physical development**

We will continue to provide activities to further develop the children's fine motor skills which in turn will help with their letter formation. The children will continue to take part in our PE sessions on a Thursday and Friday



### **Understanding the world**

Our topic 'Hooray for Summer' will give the children a greater understanding of growing our own food. Develop an understanding of the different places, different summer activities and holidays people go on.



### **Helping your child learn at home**

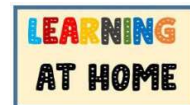
Continue to support your child to be independent, putting on and taking off their own coats and shoes.

Support your child with their reading on a regular basis.

Encourage your child to write their name independently.

Encourage correct letter formation especially the letters within their names.

Support your children to recognise, sort and count numbers confidently 0-10, 0-20.



### **Skills Builder**

The Skills Builder Universal Framework provides a common language for building essential skills with children and young people.

Research shows that building essential skills supports social and emotional wellbeing, learning and academic outcomes and careers and opportunities



### **Rewards**

The children will receive 'Dojo Points' as reward for good behaviour, work and attitude. Points can be 'spent' on prizes periodically.



**Class information**

**Class Teacher:** Mrs Duff

**Teaching Assistants:** Mrs Anderson and Mrs Richards

Please discourage your children from bringing their own toys to school.  
In order to keep books and letters in good condition we ask that all children bring a bag to school every day.

**Please remember to name your child's school jumper or cardigan.**

We request that all children bring a named water bottle to school every day.  
As the weather gets warmer, please ensure your child has a hat and that sun cream is applied before school. Suncream can be sent into school in a named bottle or tube. Adults will supervise the application by your child.

Please remember if you are making your child a packed lunch, we ask you not to put anything in that contains nuts.

**Dates for the diary!**

7<sup>th</sup> July - Transfer Day

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Day

19<sup>th</sup> July - KPA Festival

20<sup>th</sup> July - Last day of term

