



8th January 2018

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back to the Spring term. We really hope you enjoyed your Christmas with family and friends and would like to wish you all a Happy & prosperous New Year from the Foundation Team. We will be settling back into our school routines and look forward to learning lots of new and exciting things. Through observations and practical experience, the children will be learning all about 'Food' and what it does for our bodies.

Here are a few other bits of information and reminders.

Our topic this term is

FOOD



Homework will be given out every Friday and we would like it returned by the following Thursday please.

- Week 1: Maths
- Week 2: Literacy
- Week 3: Science
- Week 4: Topic

We now check your child's reading record on a daily basis to ensure you have signed it to say your child has read. Please note that your child is expected to read at least **three times a week**. Their reading book needs to be in school every Thursday for changing. Please encourage your child to read as often as possible.

Curriculum overview

Through our topic this term we will be looking at different food types and what they do to keep our body healthy. In PSED and PE we will learn how to keep ourselves active and healthy. You could support your child's learning by talking to them at mealtimes about their food or perhaps let them help, with adult support, to make the evening meal or packed lunch?

We will be continuing with our Read, Write Inc sessions to support your child with their phonic knowledge to help them with their reading and writing. This term FS1 pupils will be reading 'Handa's surprise' by Eileen Brown and FS2 pupils will be reading 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch' by Ronda Armitage. Both these books will link into our topic of 'Food.' They will give the children the opportunity to re-tell the story in their own words, draw pictures and write about the books.

In Maths, we will be using the language of addition & subtraction. We will continue to count and order numbers to 20 and beyond. We will begin to think about the value of money and use it in a role play situation. To support your child with this, talk to them about the value of items in the shops and give them the experience of paying and receiving change using real money. During our RE sessions we will be focusing on 'Celebration'. Pupils will know and understand what a celebration is and how our parish families respond to this.

As it is the start of a new term please ensure all items of clothing, PE kit and reading bags have your child's name in them. This will help us when items go missing to identify the correct owner quickly, thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs. Clark & the Foundation Team

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