### Reception Newsletter Friday 19th May 2023



Dear Parents/Guardians,

We have had a great fitness and wellbeing week. Many parents and children came in to school on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings before school to take part in the fitness and dancing activities and we hope that you enjoyed the activities as much as we did.

Next week it will be RE week. Across the school we will be learning about Catholic Social Teaching. In Reception we will be talking about the word 'participation'. We will be linking the word to jobs that people do that help others.

## Learning for the week beginning Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

- We continue working in different groups for our phonics lessons and this is what we shall be learning this coming week:
  - > Mrs Fewtrell's group will be revising the set 3 sounds learnt so far
  - Mrs Clarke's group will be learning a new sound 'oy' toy for a boy and revising previous set 2 sounds learned.
  - > Miss King's group will continue learning the set 2 sounds and will be revising all sounds covered so far.
  - > Ms White's group will be revising some of the set 1 sounds, special friends and tricky words.
- We will be continuing our topics for this half term which are 'Superheroes' and 'Traditional Tales'.
- Our story of the week will be the Three Billy Goats Gruff.
- In maths we will be learning to count in 2s and about how this links to even numbers and the concept of pairs.
- In RE we will be starting our new topic on Friendship. We will be talking about our friends and what makes them good friends.

Here are some important dates for your diary:

# Friday 26th May

INSET day.

<u>Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June</u> - We will be going on a 'Bear Hunt' trip to Coombe Wood Gardens which fits in with our topic on 'journeys.' We will be travelling by tram, leaving school at approximately 10.30am and returning to school before the end of the day. The children will need a packed lunch. We will send home more details nearer that time but we will need lots of parent helpers. If you are able to come along to help 'hunt for bears' then please let Mrs Clarke or Mrs Fewtrell know as soon as possible.

<u>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July</u> - We will be having a Reception pirate day in school. We would like the children to come in dressed as pirates on that day. We do not expect you to rush out and buy expensive costumes for this - anything that you can find/ make at home will be fine.

Thank you to those of you who have collected items for our junk modelling and creative area. The children love having a wide range of items available to choose from when making their amazing creations. Please can you continue to send in empty items that you have at home. These are the kind of things that we love:

- Cardboard boxes of any size or shape.
- Cardboard tubes
- Packaging
- Egg boxes
- Things that are used as packing in parcels
- Yogurt pots
- Empty notebooks/ scrap paper

This list is not exhaustive - if you have <u>anything</u> at home that you think we may find interesting and useful then I'm sure that we will be able to use it in school.

#### Polite reminder:

As the weather is now getting warmer all children should now be wearing summer uniform. Boys should be in shorts and girls in <u>striped</u> summer dresses.

Best wishes, Mrs Clarke and Mrs Fewtrell.