## Newsletter Spring 2019 – Reception



This half term we will be challenging the children to write in many different ways. We will be providing opportunities to write captions for pictures, labels, lists, letters, recipes and many more. We will be encouraging the children to use finger spaces between words, a capital letter at the start of a sentence and a name and full stop at the end of a sentence.

In Phonics the children are consolidating all the sounds they have learnt so far and continuing to learn more new ones. They are learning how to spell the tricky words they can read and are becoming familiar with reading high frequency words that appear often in their reading books for example, in, and, on, that, this and them, with the aim of not having to sound them out each time.

In Maths we will be recapping addition and introducing subtraction using objects. We will be encouraging the children to add and subtract two single digit numbers. We will be showing the children how to count on or back to find the answer using a number line. We will also be investigating capacity, weight and halving shapes and groups of objects.

Thank you to everyone who attended the open afternoon. The children loved showing you their classroom and it was nice to speak to you all.

Our topic this half term is 'Can we explore it?' We will enjoy talking about famous explorers, looking at different destinations such as the artic, desert, jungle and rainforest.

We would like to remind you of the school's expectations regarding uniform.

- Black school shoes
- White polo shirt
- Royal blue jumper or cardigan
- Black/grey school trouser/shirt/pinafore
- Hair accessories school colours
- No nail varnish or makeup

A reminder that your child can only be eligible for Star of the Week if they

- Read 4 times in a week at home
- Follow Golden Rules
- Wear correct uniform
- Have full attendance for the week
- No late marks

Thank you, Miss Firman, Miss Walker, Mrs Stone and Mrs Carter.



- We have a <u>collection tin</u> in both Reception cloakrooms for contributions. <u>£1 a half term</u> would be greatly appreciated.
- Reading books are changed on a Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
- P.E day is on a **Wednesday**
- Homework is due in on a Tuesday and new homework will be sent out on a Thursday
- Thank you for donating all of your recycling for our modelling making area. Just a reminder we cannot use medication boxes, polystyrene, egg and nut boxes and toilet roll tubes. Thank you.
- Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March Northern Ballet Workshop
- Friday 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March Book Fair
- Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March World Book Day
- Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March Miss Firman's class visit to library (more information to follow)
- Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March Maths Meeting for parents
- Monday 25<sup>th</sup> Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> Parents Evening
- Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March Miss Walker's class visit to library(more information to follow)
- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April Deadline for Easter Egg decorating competition (Eggs to be in by 3pm)
- Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April Reception Stay & Play Explorers theme
  1.30 pm
- Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April Easter Enterprise Fair 2 pm, Easter egg decorating competition judged
- Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April Break up for Easter Holidays
- Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April Back to school
- Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May -Polling Station at school School closed to children
- PD Days

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July