



SPRING TERM 2017

# Foundation Stage CURRICULUM LETTER

## Welcome back!



Welcome back,

We do hope you have enjoyed a wonderful Christmas and New Year. We also hope you have all enjoyed the range of Christmas experiences which were provided. It seems a long time ago since the Nativity and Christmas activities which launched Christmas for our children. We certainly hope we created the magic of Christmas for them all. Christmas time as a primary child is unique and we aim for it to be special in the children's hearts and memories. Thank you all for your encouragement and engagement with the array of seasonal activities. Thank you for all your support and goodwill messages to the team. The cards and gifts are not expected but as always you are so generous and kind. Most of all thank you for your understanding and patience, hopefully safe in the knowledge that the only thing we all want is the best for your children.

We look forward to an exciting 2017

Foundation Stage Team

# HULL CITY OF CULTURE

As we head into 2017 we are also to play our part in the Hull City of Culture events, we have lots of exciting activities planned throughout the year. Have you noticed our Winter Garden? We have immersed it into an Arctic Trawler to link with 'Made in Hull' events.



## Curriculum Information

### **F2 Reading**

Can you please ensure that your child brings their reading book to school on their reading day. If you are unsure of the reading day please ask a member of staff.

### **PE**

Please remember to send F2 children with a labeled PE kit on a Wednesday.

### **Home/School diaries**

Home/School diaries are sent home on a Friday night with information about what we have been doing in school that week; please bring them back in at the beginning of the week so we can share your child's weekend news with the class.

### **OUTDOOR PLAY**

Please make sure that your child has a warm coat, hat, gloves and a scarf for the winter weather, as our outdoor play is an important part of the children's learning. We also ask that you send your child to school in appropriate footwear. Ideally, shoes with zips, velcro or a single buckle are the most practical. If possible, could you also send a pair of wellingtons to school in a named carrier bag that your child can then wear when playing

outside, this will ensure that their school shoes stay mud free! Please make sure **ALL** your child's clothing is named, including hats etc as these are easily mislaid.



### OUR TOPIC

Please see the attached topic overview of all the exciting activities we have got planned for this term.

## STARTING SCHOOL IN 2017?

### The Application Window is closing

Do you have a child aged 3 to 4 years old? Was your child born between September 1, 2012 and August 31, 2013? If so, then he/she should start school in September 2017. You can apply for a school place online NOW using the electronic form on the council's website: [www.hullcc.gov.uk](http://www.hullcc.gov.uk) or you can get an application form from the Admissions Team. Application forms are available now. The deadline for receiving applications is **January 15<sup>th</sup> 2017**. You should make sure that you complete and return an application form online or a paper form to the Admissions Team.

If you are unsure please see an FI member of staff.

## Dates

17 <sup>th</sup> February 2017	Break up for half term
14 <sup>th</sup> /15 <sup>th</sup> March 2017	Parents Evenings
2 <sup>nd</sup> March 2017	World Book Day - dress up as a character from a book - more information to follow
7 <sup>th</sup> April 2017	Break up for Easter

There will also be Easter Bonnet parades, Lads & Dads days and Ladies days planned in this term. There will be more information to follow on all of these events.

## General

### Beginning and the end of the school day

Please make sure that younger children are with you at all times. The outdoor play equipment should not be used before or after school.

### Breakfast club

F2 children have the opportunity to attend breakfast club from 8am each morning. If you would like your child to attend, please see Mrs George in the office for a booking form.

### Twitter

We are constantly updating our twitter feed with things we are doing in the classroom.

You can check this through our website or follow us on twitter.