







## Summer Term Newsletter 2016

## Dear Parents

We welcome you all back after the Easter Break. We had a relaxing time and hope that you all did too. We have hopefully seen the last of the Chicken Pox outbreak and look forward to a healthier term.

We are beginning the term by looking at Spring and new life. We have some tadpoles in our outdoor area and the children are really excited to watch them grow. Later in the term we will have some caterpillars and watch them grow into butterflies. We are planting seeds and plants outdoors to encourage the children to look after them and understand how they grow. If you have any plants that you would be willing to donate we would be very grateful.

In the second half of the term we are going to be looking at the sea and sea creatures and this will include a visit to the Sea life centre. We will be working closely with Reception on this topic and then share some of our work with you in an assembly.

In Mathematics we will be looking at patterns and symmetry and continuing with our number knowledge.

In Literacy we will be focusing on understanding story settings and characters. We will continue to recognise rhyming words, signs and logos. We have started the split phonics sessions, group one will be doing lots of listening games and activities with Mrs McCloskey. Group two will be learning phonemes starting with s,a,t,p,i,n, with Mrs Jilks. We ask that you continue to support your child with the phonemes they are learning.

In the second half of the term we will be doing transition for the children starting Reception, we will inform you with more details nearer the date.

We will continue to take part in our dance lessons with Mrs Cooke, the children are really enjoying these sessions and are gaining some good physical and

listening skills. Can we please ask again that you make sure your child has a pair of pumps, school P.E. T-shirt and a pair of shorts in their P.E. box.

Please continue to input news and photographs in the Learning Journeys. This helps us to talk with your children about their families and out of school activities. Thank you to all of you who take time to do this.

Dates for your diary:

22<sup>nd</sup> April - St Georges Day Afternoon Tea Party
2<sup>nd</sup> May - Bank Holiday
26<sup>th</sup> May - Foundation visit to Sealife centre
27<sup>th</sup> May - Teacher Training Day
30<sup>th</sup> May - 3<sup>rd</sup> June - May Holiday
23<sup>rd</sup> June - Reception Welcome Meeting (for children attending All Souls School)
1<sup>st</sup> July - Foundation Assembly
19<sup>th</sup> July - Summer holiday begins.
We may add to these as the term progresses.

Thank you for your support.

Mrs Jilks Mrs McCloskey