

Ducklings and Penguins Newsletter - Summer 2



Welcome back!

Welcome back to the last very last term of Year R!

The children have grown so much over the past year and it is amazing to see what they can do now that they were not able to do back when they joined us in September.

We will be preparing the children for the next stage of their journey into Year 1, but before that there is still plenty of fun and learning to be had in Year R!

Thank you as always for all your continued support.

The Year R team

Focus on P.E.

Physical development is one of the key areas of development in Reception. We teach two P.E. sessions a week, one on a Thursday afternoon with the class teacher and one on a Wednesday morning with a specialist sports coach called James

The Thursday sessions often focus on basic skills using the 'Real P.E.' scheme of work. This scheme builds up children's co-ordination and control in simple movements (such as skipping, balancing, jumping, catching, throwing etc).

The Wednesday session further develops the skills children need to take part in sports and the children love having James teach them!

This term we will be having a Sports Week (week beginning) which will allow the children to use some of the skills they have been working on!

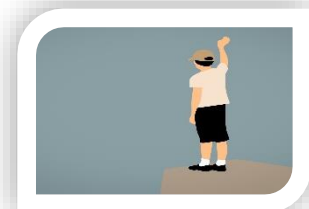
Weeks 1 - 4

Over and Under the Sea



Our term is split into two topics. The first half is Over and Under the Sea. We have kick-started this topic with an Art Week! We will be busy learning about colour mixing and using different materials to create artworks based on the book 'The Rainbow Fish'. Thank you for all the plastic bottles you sent in - these will be transformed into a shoal of colourful fish!

Weeks 5 - 7 Moving On



The second topic will be about 'moving on'. We will be reflecting on our first year in school and thinking about how much we have grown and changed. We will be preparing for our move into Year 1, meeting our new teachers and finding out if we are going to be Owls or Goldfinches! We will be putting our memories into a class book that will go with us into Year 1 to remind us of how far we have come!

Other Information

Dates for the Diary

Summer Fayre - Inflatable Fun: Friday 9th June

FCIS Father Day Presents: Friday 16th June

Inset Day: Friday 23rd June NO CHILDREN IN SCHOOL THIS DAY

Sports Week: 26th June - 3rd July

Sports Day: Monday 3rd July

Last Day of term: Friday 21st July

Uniform and Books

Please be aware that our PE days are currently Wednesday and Thursday, so we would appreciate it if the children could make sure they are in clothes that allow easy movement on these days.

As the warmer days appear, children are welcome to bring in a named sunhat and we suggest applying suncream before coming in to school.

Our library day continues to be Thursday so please make sure children bring their current library book in that day so

Collection at Home time: Ducklings

We are finding that parents are congregating inside of the Ducklings gate in the Year R outside space after collecting their child, which is making it difficult to see the children out safely the end of the day.

In order to prevent this we would like to implement a one-way system.

Please can you make sure you exit the Year R area quickly once you have your child, via the middle gate (by the playhouse). This will allow other parents to come forward through the Ducklings gate and be clearly seen.

PLEASE NOTE: We can we only release your child to you once you have come through the Ducklings gate. Please do not stay standing behind the Duckling gate.

Please can we also politely ask that you do not let your children play with or on the Year R equipment at collection time. We are not insured to allow this to happen and it is resulting in things being moved about after being tidied up for the day.

Thank you!