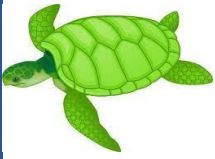


Welcome to Summer Term 2024


The children have settled back into school so well this week and it's hard to believe it is their last term in Sea Turtle class. We have lots of fun things planned for them including a trip - more info to follow! With summer on the way and hats in school, please remember to write your child's name or initials in ALL belongings (including water bottles). Long lasting sun cream must be applied before school please.

This term's learning

Phonics: Consolidating phase 3, reading and spelling 'tricky words'. Moving on to phases 4 and 5, learning to read and write longer words and sentences.	Maths: Understanding numbers beyond 10. Number bonds to 5/10 Counting and comparing numbers Developing special reasoning skills Shape, pattern and measuring	Festivals and Celebrations: Beep Beep! Day- Road safety sponsored event. Father's Day
English: Developing an understanding of reading and writing sentences. Exploring different texts and writing for a purpose- lists, letters etc.	PE: Team games, ball skills, athletics, sports day preparation	PSHE/RSE: My rights and responsibilities. Asking for help. Transition to year 1.

Things to remember ...
Reading at home

PE kits - PE will just be on a Monday this term. Please ensure that your child comes to school on this day wearing their school PE kit, trainers and long hair is tied back. Weather permitting, we will hopefully have lots of PE sessions outside.

Forest School - We will continue to explore and learn in the Forest School Area on Mondays so please ensure that your child has their wellies/waterproofs in school and that they dress appropriately for the weather that day.

Bookbags - Please bring to school every day and make sure to check every evening after school. Other bags are not needed.

Focus weeks and Tapestry – We will begin the children's final focus weeks this term. These observations form part of our end of year assessments and will focus on the areas that your child needs to develop. It is really helpful if parents can 'like' observations and memos on Tapestry so we can see who has read them please.

Moving on – Later this term, we will begin helping the children to prepare for the transition from Reception to Year 1. As well as our move up days, we will also allow some time for their next teacher to come into Sea Turtle class to get to know the children.

Please can your child bring in their book bag every day. Robin group have their books changed on a Tuesday and Rabbit group are changed each Thursday. Please continue to read with your child as often as you can for a short time. This will help to build on their phonics skills and develop fluency and comprehension.

We are now using Drawing Club to teach literacy in Reception. This is a fantastic way to ignite the children's love of stories and develop their imaginations, language and writing. The children are always excited when it's time for Drawing Club and enjoy drawing and writing their ideas in their new books.

The Sea Turtle team

Class teacher: Mrs Poynton

Teaching Assistants: Mrs Williams (Mon-Wed), Mrs Burkey and Miss Cubitt

Thank you all for your continued support with reading at home, adding observations to Tapestry and developing the children's independence. Please pop in and see me in the morning or at home time in the afternoon if you have a short message or piece of information to pass on. Should you wish to speak with me in more detail, please contact the office and we will get back to you to arrange a meeting.