

Reception class—Summer (Term 6)

We hope that everyone has had a truly superb half term break and is ready for our last 7 weeks in Reception. We are very excited to be moving onto a new topic for this term called, 'Ahoy There.' The topic focuses on the Talk 4Writing text, 'Pirate Tom.' We also will be using the stories, 'Pirates love underpants' and 'Lucy and Tom at the seaside.' Please see the next page which explains our topic in more detail.

Book changing will continue to happen on a Monday. We also would like to encourage children to read at least three times at week at home and will continue our reading challenge. Many children have completed the first challenge and have chosen their first book from a selections! We would love more children to be able to complete the challenge over the next few weeks. Please could you make sure that the reading record is signed each time your child reads. Well done to all!

PE—Swimming will continue on Fridays and well as games for those children who aren't swimming. We will also be doing a little PE alongside wood school on Tuesdays, practising races for sports day. Please ensure your child has jogging bottoms for wood school. If it's hot, they are welcome to come to school in shorts, bringing jogging bottoms in bookbags separately ready for the afternoon.

Event days

Tuesday 16th June, Sports day—Please can children come into school wearing their PE bottoms and trainers. They will also need to wear a red, green or blue T-shirt, depending on their house. Details of which house your child is in will be sent out this week.

Wednesday 17th June, Fathers day event—Dads (or another special person) are invited in on this date at 1:30pm to take part in pirate-related challenges! Children are welcome to come into school dressed up in a seaside or pirate outfit! The more creative, the better! We also are very much looking forward to the Dads dressing up too!

Wednesday 1st July, Seaside/Pirate day—We are excited to welcome in a Punch and Judy show to school to help children learn about seashores in the past. Children are welcome to come into school wearing shorts and T-shirt or a pirate outfit on this day.

Monday 20th July, Book Look & Open evening—An opportunity to discuss your child's end of year report and look at their books. After school finishes (3:30pm), you will be welcome to go to the Year 1/2 classroom to have a look around and talk to staff.

We are looking forward to another action-packed term.

Mrs Spencer, Mrs Hickey and Mrs Handley

Maths

In Maths, we will be

- Making bonds to 5 using addition and subtraction sums.
- Using more than, less than and equal to when comparing numbers.
- Ensuring that numbers are formed correctly.
- Learning to use 'rekenreks' to show knowledge of how numbers are made up.



Phonics

We will be revising the sounds already taught and writing these in words. Some of the groups will be revising and learning the sounds ay, ee, igh, ow, oo, and oo (u). Some children will be learning and revising the sounds: ar, or, air, ir, ou and oy. We will continue to read daily within our groups and have already been assessed to ensure that books are at the correct level for each child.

Talk 4 writing

Children will be continuing to practise oracy and sentence structure based on the Talk4Writing text, 'Pirate Tom.'

They will also be looking at labelling maps and characters as well as writing sentences based on settings. Our main expectations for this term are capital letters, finger spaces, letter formation, full stops and reading work back. We call this our 'Everyday Toolkit.'

Ahoy there!

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RE

In RE lessons, children will be learning about Hinduism. We will be looking at special objects and what they mean or are used for. We will also be finding out about a Hindu's place of worship (Mandir). Finally, we will make comparisons between Mandirs and Churches.

EAD

EAD sessions take place weekly as well as pupils being offered to explore many areas of the classroom to develop painting, drawing, making and music skills. Some of the activities they will be completing are making a Punch and Judy theatre, creating seascapes and ship building.

End of day 'Core' texts

Mrs Armitage and the big wave – Quentin Blake

Mr Gumpy's Outing – John Burningham

The night pirates – Peter Harris

PSED

Jigsaw (PSED) will be entitled 'Changing Me'. This unit focuses on their bodies, basic body parts and respecting our own and others' bodies. The class will also discuss how they might change as they grow up as well as any hopes and fears, moving into Year 1.

Understanding the World

In our Understanding the World sessions, we will be looking at what we can do at the seaside now, what we might wear and eat, and how this is different to when people when on holiday to the seaside a long time ago. The class will also be looking at maps of the world and making their own maps.

Physical Development

This term the class will be swimming on Fridays. They will need to wear PE kit on this day and bring in their swimming kit in the mornings.

The class will also be taking part in PE and/or wood school on Tuesday afternoons, practising throwing, catching, kicking and running skills.