



Dear parents/Carers

We hope you have had a lovely week and the children are rested and ready for the term!

Our topic for this term is food around the world. We will start off in France and then visit China, India and Italy. We will also have a specific healthy eating week! The week commencing 6th March will be our exciting book week. Unfortunately, I will be in Italy this week investigating how schools in Europe approach young children's education and hopefully bring back lots of ideas to enhance your child's experience in Reception. The children will be in the capable hands of Mrs McNair, Mrs Mercer and Mrs Bristow who I know have already been planning an amazing week for the children. Further information will be available for you nearer the time and through our last newsletter.

Reading and Kinetic letters.

We have now covered set 1 sounds in phonics and I will be looking at the children's knowledge of these this week. I will let you know how you can help your child further at home with the sounds they are unsure of (if any). We will be looking at set 2 sounds this term which will include ay, ee, igh, oo, ou, and ar. I will link these sounds with our handwriting scheme and the children will come home with these on a weekly basis. The expectation is for these to be completed and returned to school as soon as possible.

Please continue to read with your child at home as this really does have a positive impact on their knowledge and progress. It is lovely to see the children using their knowledge in the classroom and how proud they are when they are ready for our reading books.

Maths

We will be continuing to practise writing our numbers correctly to 9 and identifying numerals to 20. Addition and subtraction using resources will be a focus this term as well as investigating 2d and 3d shapes. This will link with food packaging shapes. If you have any interesting shaped packaging or containers that your child can bring in to share that would be great.

Celebration Assembly

Our next celebration assembly is on Friday 17th March. Please look out for your child's name on the board outside the classroom. I will also send a slip home with those children who are to receive a certificate on Friday 10th March.

Please remember we have an 'open door' policy so if there is anything you need to discuss with us regarding your child please don't hesitate to speak to a member of the team.

Mrs Caller