



Dear Parents / Carers,

We hope you and your children had an enjoyable half-term break and your children are re-energised ready for another busy half-term! Please can you ensure to update your child's tapestry account with any photos and messages about their half-term memories and achievements. We will share these with the class over the coming weeks.



THIS HALF TERM

We will begin this half term by looking at the topic 'Space'. This theme will be introduced using the story 'Whatever Next!' by Jill Murphy. All of the children's learning opportunities and experiences will be closely linked to the early year's curriculum. These will include sequencing the story and writing their own stories, building rockets using recyclable materials and 3D shapes. Exploring different materials and their properties; talking about the planets and the awe and wonder of space!

Further topics will evolve around the children's interests shown during their play.



FOREST SCHOOL

This half term the children will be continuing to develop their resilience, self-esteem and team building through a variety of games. We will also be looking at the early signs of spring and developing the skill of tying knots to join natural materials together.

How to support your child at home

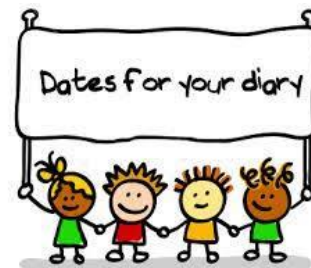


- Listening to your child read regularly and reading to them
- Recognising numbers up to 20
- Ordering numbers to 20
- Practical addition and subtraction problems e.g. I have 10 apples and I eat 3, how many are left?
- Writing a simple sentence using their sounds.
- Making words using magnetic letters / letter cards
- Playing rhyming / memory and turn taking games



Useful Apps

- Beebot App
- Daisy Dinosaur
- Number Train
- Cbeebies
- Mr Thorne does Phonics



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

School Starts_	Monday 25 th February 2019
World Book Day	7 th March 2019 – come dressed up as your favourite book character
Red Nose Day	Friday 15 th March 2019 – further information to follow
Parent Consultations	Monday 18 th and Wednesday 20 th March
Marvellous Mummy Afternoon	Friday 29 th March 2019 at 2pm in your child's classroom
End of Term	Friday 5 th April at 1.15pm
St George's Day	Tuesday 23 rd April – come to school dressed in red and white

FINALLY

We hope your child has a fun half term learning through our topics and that they come home full of talk about what they have been doing! Remember the most important thing is that your child is happy and having fun at school. We are always here if you need to talk to us. We look forward to seeing your children back in school on Tuesday 23rd April 2019 (St George's Day).

We hope you have a lovely Easter break.

Many thanks,

Mrs Bugg and Mrs Whieldon

