

Activities to do at home....

- Pretend to be a robot! This encourages children to blend sounds together as they will have to do when they are reading. You could ask your child to pass you a b-oo-k and your child needs to be able to hear the word book. Examples of words which are easy for you to sound out as a robot are: cat, dog, sit, head (h,ea,d), chin (ch-i-n), tap.

- Count everything! Puddles, random objects or sheep, it doesn't matter, just count! Counting accurately and carefully is a skill we need to perfect now. Try counting two groups separately and then counting them all together to find their sum.

- Practise writing; copy words, try and write using phonics, write your name! The best way to master writing skills is to practise, practise, practise!

www.phonicsplay.co.uk/

Phonics play is an invaluable phonics resource that we use alongside our phonics teaching that you can access at home for free. Choose phase 1 activities to practice listening and attention and the fundamental phonics skills. Choose phase 2 for segmenting, blending and spelling games.

If you are unsure of where your child is specifically in their phonics development, or how to best help them develop, please don't hesitate to contact Miss Massey.

<http://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/3-5-years/>

Top Marks Maths has an excellent choice of number games for developing early maths skills such as counting and number recognition, all accessible for free.

Dates for the diary:

20th June—EYFS trip to Tittesworth reservoir.

We are going to Tittesworth reservoir to explore how water is used and to see if we can spot any water animals!

21st June—RNLI visitor talk

We are very lucky to have an RNLI visitor coming to talk to us about water safety.

28th June—Non-uniform for FOPS

3rd July

Diversity Day

6th July (Saturday) - fun day

12th July—Nursery leavers garden party

To celebrate our last few weeks in Nursery, we will be inviting parent's/carers to a garden party in our outdoor area. This will be in the morning.

16th July—School disco



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**Learning Challenge Question:
What's in the sea?**

Welcome Back!

Welcome back!

We hope that you've had a lovely break in the sunshine.

It's our last half term in Nursery!

Our learning challenge question this half term is :

"What's in the sea?" We will be looking into our local area and where we are in the country. We will spend time looking at our local waterways, our canals and rivers, the wildlife it supports and what it means for us living in Stoke-on-Trent. We will then be looking a bit further afield at what beaches are made of and how the sea is maintained before we start to see what school will be like when we move up to our next class, (exciting!).

On the 21st June we will have a speaker from the RNLI coming in to talk to the children about water safety and what to do in a water-based emergency.

What's in the sea?

We will be exploring our local geography, where Trentham is in England, how far we are from the sea and what we eat from the sea ! The questions for each week are listed below.

1. What lives in a river?
2. Is Trentham by the sea?
3. Do fish have fingers?
4. What's on the beach?
5. Who looks after the sea?
6. What will reception be like?
7. Reflection

Our indoor role play this half term is "Camp Priory", chosen by the children. They will be exploring money, cooking, camp songs, tools, wildlife, teamwork and, of course, marshmallows!



PE

Children need to have a full PE kit in school at all times, this consists of; black pumps, a white t-shirt and black shorts. These need to be fully labelled and on your child's peg at all times, our PE day is Tuesday.

Lost Property

We are aware that a number of cardigans, jumpers and hats have been misplaced. Please can you ensure that your child's name is on all items of clothing so that we are able to return as much as possible.

More information

As you enter the Nursery area, there is a parents notice board situated on the right hand wall. Here you will find details of our planning for this half term, the Nursery Class timetable and the contact details for Ofsted.

Home learning

Please don't forget to fill in your WOW moment cards or send photos via Dojo for anything that your child does that is amazing! These are included in their learning journeys and used for assessment.