

**Summer Term 2020**  
**Class 1 – Foundation Stage**

Dear Parents,

I hope that you are all well and managing to stay safe during these difficult times.

This letter will give you an overview of the learning that your child should be focusing on throughout the Summer Term. To help you and your child access this learning, we will be providing you with a new home learning document each week. The activities in this document are designed to be accessible for you and the children at home.

Please remember you are doing an amazing job and thank you!

**English:**

This term the children are continuing to focus on a range of fiction and non-fiction texts from the *Babcock: Texts that Teach* sequence. Throughout each teaching sequence we will continue to build upon the children's existing skills and help them to improve their punctuation, sentence structure and letter formation.

They will have already completed their factual text-writing unit when recounting their half term adventures and they have since begun work on their fiction narrative text 'Mrs Pirate'. They will learn to use repetition and other rhythmic text features to construct their own rhyming text. Later in the term the children will move on to looking at a 'Sand and Water' themed text. The end result of this sequence will be the children's own version of a sand and water themed story.

**Guided Reading & Individual Reading:**

Once a week we will publish guided reading materials online for your children. These texts are fully interactive and are accompanied by questions and activities that help to develop your child's comprehension skills. We will also allocate new individual reading books to your child. They should aim to access these reading books every day. We also encourage your child to partake in active discussions about what they have been reading with an adult or other family member. This will help to develop their communication and language skills.

**Maths:**

This term we will be focusing on the unit 'Measurements'. In this unit the children will be comparing the length and height of objects using terms such as longer/longest and shorter/shortest as well as using non-standard units to begin measuring these objects. The children will then move onto comparing the mass and weight of objects and will learn to measure capacity. There will be lots of opportunities for the children to explore new resources such as simple balance scales and containers and they will be introduced to a range of new vocabulary. Towards the end of this unit we will explore the concept of dates, telling the time and sequencing events in chronological order. The children will also have the experience of handling money through the use of role play experiences, teaching them to recognise and know the value of different denominations of coins and notes.

**IPC – 'Treasure' & 'Sand and Water'**

In these two units the children would normally develop their own understanding through independent exploration of various learning areas. They are given access to a variety of learning resources and are guided to use them through a focused activity.

We collect evidence of any learning by writing observations, keeping examples of work and taking photographs of the children 'in action'. Please feel free carry on with the collection of learning evidence and I can add this to your child's Learning Journey at the end of the year. We will begin this unit by discussing your child's current knowledge and we will establish the areas that your child wishes to explore further. Ideally all topic learning will be fun and engaging and very much child led. To start our journey of discovery we invite you create your own pirate role-play area!

**PE: Keeping active**

Whilst we are all staying at home during the current crisis, it's more important than ever that we all stay as active as we can. Even a small amount of activity will have a positive impact on your physical and mental health, and there's plenty you can do at home. For daily exercise ideas please go to the following website;  
<https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/activities>

Please do not forget that you are not alone during these challenging times. If you have any questions or need any support please do not hesitate to contact us. We miss you all very much and cannot wait to welcome you back to school soon!

I hope that you and your children have a lovely term completing these home-learning activities. The most important thing to remember is learning should be fun 😊

Stay safe and be kind to yourselves

Mrs Snell 😊