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for lifelong learning*

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Dear Parents,

Nursery Curriculum Newsletter
Summer Term 1

Welcome back to a new term at Grange Primary School. We have lots of exciting learning ready for your children this term! Nursery and Reception will be following a unit of work on a theme that focuses on 'Animals'.

During this unit we will focus on:

<p>Our class reading books this term will be –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The pig in the pond • Rumble in the jungle • Dear Zoo <p>We will also be reading a variety of non-fiction texts to help us explore more about animals.</p>	
<p>Communication, Language and Literacy</p>	<p>Expressive Arts and Design</p>
<p>The children will be learning the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To focus attention-still listen and do, but can shift own attention • To use vocabulary focussed on objects and people that are of particular importance to them • To segment the sounds in simple words and blend them together and knows which letters represent some of them • To begin to break the flow of speech into words 	<p>The children will be learning the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To realise tools can be used for a purpose • To make up rhymes • To capture experiences and responses with a range of media, such as music, dance and paint and other materials or words • To build stories around toys, e.g. farm animals needing rescue from an armchair 'cliff'
<p>Maths</p>	<p>Understanding the World</p>
<p>The children will be learning the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To count actions and objects which cannot be moved • To separate a group of three or four objects in different ways, beginning to recognise that the total is still the same • To show interest in shapes by sustained construction activity or by talking about shapes and arrangements • To order two items by weight or capacity 	<p>The children will be learning the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To know some of the things that make them unique, and can talk about some of the similarities and differences in relation to friends and family • To talk about why things happen and how things work • To show care and concern for living things and the environment • To show skill in making toys work by pressing parts or lifting flaps to achieve effects such as sound, movements or new images

Physical	Personal, Social and Emotional
<p>The children will be learning the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To begin to form recognisable letters • To show understanding of the need for safety when tackling new challenges, and considers and manages some risks • To run skilfully and negotiates space successfully, adjusting speed or direction to avoid obstacles • To observe the effect of activity on their body 	<p>The children will be learning the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To welcome and value praise for what they have done • To initiate conversations, attends to and takes account of what others say • To start to tolerate delay when needs are not immediately met, and understands wishes may not always be met • To enjoy responsibility of carrying out small tasks

Important Information – PE days, Homework Learning Task

PE

The children will continue with football coaching on a Monday.

Homework Learning Tasks

Pencil control and maths homework will be sent home every Tuesday and needs to be returned on Mondays.

Please let the children do this, their best attempt is better than parents completing it for them.

The children will also have a reading book and library book sent home weekly that is changed every Wednesday.

Parental Involvement

Stay and Play sessions will continue to run every Wednesday from 8.30 until 9.00.

Remember to look at our 'Next Steps' board so you can work alongside us to help your child achieve their targets.

During stay and play why not look through your child's achievement book and add any WOW moments from home.

Outing

On Wednesday 25th April 2018, during the morning we will be visiting Newham City farm to support the learning we are doing on animals, all children will need to be accompanied by an adult. A separate letter will be given out with more details.

Reminders

Please ensure that as the weather warms up the children are coming to school with sun cream applied in the morning and bring a hat with them. Please also label all clothing.

We would still like to provide the children with a snack table; providing bread, crackers, butter etc. daily. We are unable to do this without your help, so please continue to bring in your 50p contribution each week. The number of children bringing in the snack money is improving, with 50% of them bringing this; however the majority of the class are enjoying these snacks, so it would be good if everyone contributed where possible.

By the end of the unit, it is hoped that your child would have achieved all of their learning targets. If you have any comments or questions about your child's learning, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Many thanks

The Nursery Team