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for lifelong learning*

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Dear Parents,

Reception Curriculum Newsletter
Spring Term 1

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

During this half term, we will focus on:

Our class reading books this term will be –

- Mr Gumpy's motor car
- The hundred decker bus
- Brilliant boats

We will also be reading a variety of non-fiction texts to help us explore more about transport.

Communication, Language and Literacy –

The children will be learning the following:

- To listen to stories and respond to what they hear with relevant comments, questions, or actions.
- To listen to peers and respond appropriately to their needs.
- To handle books carefully and look at them independently.
- To segment the sounds in simple words and blend them together.
- To read words and simple sentences.
- To use their phonic knowledge to write words which match their spoken sounds.

Maths –

The children will be learning the following:

- To use everyday language related to money.
- To use everyday language related to time and measure short periods of time in simple ways.
- To count confidently up to 10
- To start counting beyond 20.
- To count in 2s up to 10.
- Find one more than a given number.
- Find one less than a given number.

Expressive Arts and Design -

The children will be learning the following:

- To experiment to create different textures.
- To combine different media to create new effects.
- To manipulate materials to achieve a planned effect.
- To construct with a purpose in mind, using a variety of resources.

Understanding the World -

The children will be learning the following:

- To recognise and describe special times or events for family or friends.
- To be aware of things that make them unique.
- To talk about why things happen and how things work.
- Information can be retrieved from the computer.
- To use ICT hardware to interact with age-appropriate computer software.

Physical	Personal, Social and Emotional
<p>The children will be learning the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To show increasing control over an object in pushing, patting, throwing, catching, or kicking it. • To handle tools, object, construction, and malleable materials safely and with control. • To begin to form recognisable letters. • To use a pencil and hold it effectively to form recognisable letters. 	<p>The children will be learning the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To take steps to resolve conflicts with other children (e.g. finding a compromise). • To confidently speak to others about own needs, wants interests and opinions. • To confidently try new activities and say why they like some activities more than others.

Important Information – PE days, Educational Visits, Homework Learning Task

PE

PE will continue during our daily activities, football sessions with Coach Frank will hopefully resume soon. No PE kit is needed.

Homework Learning Tasks

Phonics and maths home learning will be sent home every Tuesday and needs to be returned on the following Monday. It is important that children read daily, please use the Bug Club log in details to access books with your child. A holiday project to support the following half terms theme will be given out to be completed over the half term holidays. Please support your child in completing this to enable them to receive a sticker and certificate.

Parental Involvement

Stay and Play sessions will not take place at present, once we can have parents in the building, we will inform of our first session.

Educational Visit

There is no educational visit planned for this half term, however we plan to do a local visit. Information will be shared nearer the event.

Reminders

Please ensure that now the weather is much colder the children bring a warm coat to school, along with hats and gloves. **Please also label all clothing, we have at least 10 jumpers with no names on in our lost property box.** Please make sure your child has a labelled water bottle with them every day.

By the end of the unit, it is hoped that your child will 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 Reception Team