

Dear Parents,

I hope you have a wonderful summer break; I have enjoyed welcoming the children back into Seahorses Class this week. We will begin the term with a learning theme linked to toys, old and new. Please see a brief overview below, of the planned curriculum for this half term.

Your child will receive a new reading book next week and a new sharing book to bring home this weekend. We continue to adopt a similar approach to reading as last year, following the Little Wandle phonics and reading scheme. Your child will read the book they bring home 2 times at school; therefore, they will be familiar with the words and context of the book. If they are finishing the book too challenging, please speak to one of the members of staff. We kindly ask that books are handled carefully and returned to school in good condition, this is key to sustaining our books for further teaching.

We will be using a slightly different recording system for promoting reading at school this year. You will receive more information about this in a separate letter.

Please could your child keep a pair of wellies at school for any outdoor learning or rainy days. P.E lessons will be on Tuesdays and Fridays; please could your child wear their P.E kit to school on these days. This system worked well last year as it increases the amount of time children are physically active, rather than getting dressed and reduces the amount of lost property.

Spellings and Mathematics homework will commence from Friday 16th September, detailed information regarding timescales etc will be sent out on this date.

As your child continues their journey in Key Stage 1, they are still entitled to a healthy morning snack, this is usually a piece of fruit or vegetables. If you would prefer to send your child into school with a healthy snack this is fine. Each child needs to bring a water bottle to school daily, we can refill this for them when needed.

English	Our English lessons will be based upon the books of; The 3 Little Pigs, The 3 Little Wolves and the Big Bad Pig, The Colour Monster, Traction Man and The Lost Toys in the Museum. The children will be writing narratives, recount and poetry.
Mathematics	The first focus this term will place value and securing a good understanding of number. The second focus will be shape.
Science	Our science lessons will be based on materials and their properties. The children will be naming

	materials and their properties and testing materials for specific purposes.
Music	The children will be using untuned instruments to replicate the sounds and rhymes produced by toys.
R.E	Our R.E lessons will be based on Christianity, exploring the Creation story and Harvest Festival.
Art and Design	In art lessons with Mrs Richards and Mrs Prout, the children will be designing and making the 3 Little Pigs houses, focusing on lines, texture, and collage. We will also be exploring how to make different colours to use in an Autumn scene.
P.E	P.E lessons will develop the children's fundamental skills- moving, negotiating space, throwing, and catching a variety of balls, kicking and receiving a ball. This will lead on to applying these skills in a competitive game.
Cornish	Our Cornish lessons this term will include: numbers (up to 20), identifying colours and clothing. We will also be learning a Cornish Counting song.
PSHE	We begin the term by introducing school expectations, exploring, and recognising feelings, identifying what makes us special and learning about different families. Every week we share Picture News which promotes conversation about relevant issues around the world.
Computing	We are looking forward to welcoming the Cognition and Learning team back into Class on Friday afternoons.

Please refer to the school website for an in-depth curriculum overview and to see what we get up to. If you have any questions please approach a member of staff at the end of the day, we are very approachable and willing to help.

Regards

Miss Simpson and Miss Bonser