Early Years Newsletter
Spring Term 2020

Happy New Year and Best Wishes for 2020

We hope you all had a peaceful and relaxing break and are ready to begin another exciting term.

For the first half of the Spring Term our learning will be based around traditional stories such as, 'Jack and the Beanstalk', The Gingerbread Man and The Runaway Chapati.

Children will try to grow the tallest beanstalk and make, decorate and eat Gingerbread biscuits and chapatis.

Reception children will celebrate Chinese New Year at the end of January with a parade and food tasting day.

Learning in Early Years.

Please continue to encourage your child to read books at home. Many children in Reception are becoming independent readers. Thank you so much for your support. Help from home, has such a positive impact on reading progress.

Nursery children have been taught the sounds S,A,T, I and P . Each week they will bring home a new sound, song and action to learn. They will also practise writing their name in school handwriting. We really need your help with both of these challenges.

In phonics, Reception children need to learn all sounds, names and digraphs. 'Tricky Words ' will also be sent home so children build up their sight vocabulary. These ' Tricky Words ' must not be sounded out. Children need to recognise them instantly.

Phonics homework will be sent home weekly.

Please ask if you are not sure how to help your child at home.

WE REALLY NEED YOUR HELP TO ENSURE ALL CHILDREN GET THE BEST START TO THEIR LEARNING JOURNEY.

Getting Organised

Please ensure reading books and bags are at school each day.

Reception children need a **PE kit** which should be left at school. Joggers and hoodies are winter extras that we would recommend.

We always need reading volunteers to read with individual children.

Reception:-' **STAY AND READ'** every Thursday morning from 8.45 am to 9.15am.

Nursery:-'STAY AND PLAY'- dates on next page

Please continue to save boxes, cards, ribbon, buttons, cartons, sweet wrappers and any seasonal objects for our workshops.

Please let us know if you would like to help in EYFS.

School Uniform and Outdoor Winter Clothing

Please ensure school jumpers are the correct colour and design.

We are outdoors every day so all children need warm, waterproof coats and sensible footwear.

Nursery children may leave wellies in the cloakroom for our outdoor adventures.

Please make sure all clothing, especially hats, scarves and gloves are named.

Dates for your Diary

Spring term 1st Half 2020

Thursday 23rd January :-Individual photographs for nursery children .

Friday 24th January - Reception children celebrate Chinese New Year.

Reception children may wear red clothes to school.(Details to follow)

14th February 2020 PD Day. School closed.

Half Term Holiday. School Closed:- 17th—21st February.

Monday 24th February:- Spring Term 2nd Half begins.

Thursday February 27th :- Parent Consultations. (Details to follow)

'Stay and Read' for Reception will continue every Thursday from 8.45am -9.15am.

'Stay and Play' date for Nursery for Spring 1 term

Nursery 'Stay and Play' for Parents/Carers/Grandparents		
Date	AM	PM
28th January	8.45am-9.45am	12.30pm- 1.30pm

Please may we take this opportunity to thank everyone ,for the kind words ,gifts and support we received last term.

All our good wishes for 2020!

Mrs Graham and the Early Years Team