

# Reception/Pearl Newsletter—Summer Term 1

Dear Parents/Carers

This half term we are learning all about Growing and changing, we will be learning all about animals lifecycles looking first at frogs then butterflies and finally chicks. We are also hoping to take a trip to Harewood House to take part in some Forest school activities and learn more about lifecycles and sustainability.

Pearl Class/Reception your teachers are

Mrs Bailey (Class Teacher) Miss Robinson (Nursery Officer)

This term our BIG QUESTIONS are:

What changes can I see through the lifecycle of animals and creatures?

What growth and changes can I see in plants?

What changes will I see between spring and summer?

How does England compare to other countries around the world?

Home Learning– Maths challenge

Each week we are going to put a simple maths challenge onto Tapestry for the children to complete at home, this will be alongside the usual Phonics sheet. It would be great for the children to try and take part to support their maths development ready for their journey into Year 1. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask.

#### Attendance

Attendance and punctuality are very important to us as St Mary's. School starts at 8:55am and children should be ready to enter school at this time. Classroom doors are open until 9am. Any child arriving after 9am will be given a late mark. They should use the main front door to enter school. Please let us know (by phone call or using Arbor to message) if your child is going to be absent from school. Our Attendance Policy (which can be found on our school website) gives more information about our attendance procedures. School finishes at 3:25pm and children should be collected from their allocated class doors. If someone different is going to be picking your child up then please let the office or your child's class teacher know in advance.

### PE - ALL CHILDREN NEED TO WEAR THEIR GREEN SCHOOL JUMPERS ON PE DAYS!

Our PE day this term will be **Thursday**, **PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE OF DAY!** the children need to come to school wearing their PE kit. White t-shirt, green school sweatshirt, black jog-ging bottoms or shorts and trainers. They can then bring a black jumper or hooded top to change into for our PE session if they would like to.

## Tapestry

Thankyou to everyone who has uploaded observations onto Tapestry over the last term. The children enjoy sharing these with each other in class and it is great opportunity for them to develop their communication and language skills, by talking about what they have been doing at home. If you are having any problems or have any questions about Tapestry please do not hesitate to contact one of the team.

### **RISE AND READ**

On **Wednesday mornings starting on Wednesday 22nd April** we will be offering RISE and READ for our RECEPTION children and families. The reception gate will be open at 8.30am and families are welcome to come anytime from 8.30am to read with their children in the Reception classroom.

This is an opportunity for you to come and read your child's school reading book in the classroom environment where Mrs Bailey will be on hand to help with any questions you may have or just to offer an extra opportunity for reading during the week.

You will need to bring your child's reading book with you and stay with your children until the school bell rings. We are looking forward to reading with you and doing lots of extra reading with you.

Please contact us is you have any questions or concerns

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Thankyou