Early Years Newsletter Spring 2019



Dear Parents

We hope that you had a lovely Christmas break with your children and enjoyed spending some time together. Thank you all for the lovely gifts we received before the holidays, they mean a lot to us, and it was lovely to see the children enjoying the build up to Christmas with their Special Assembly. We were very proud of them!

We are hoping that the weather this half term will enable us to continue to work outside as well as inside on our new topic 'If You're Healthy and You Know It...'. The children enjoy exploring and using the outside areas and also using the larger equipment, bikes, scooters and larger tricycles in their physical play. It is also great to work with them outside, developing number and literacy skills; transferring what they have learnt inside and showing us what they can do independently as well as collaboratively with their friends.

<u>Our Learning Journey</u> An overview of the planning and other information is available for you to view on the school website.

This week in school is science week, so we have been thinking about different scenarios using the phrase 'What would happen if....' and making predictions and observations of a variety of aspects of everyday science.

<u>Observations of Learning</u> I will continue to send the observations of your child's activities out to everyone whose email I have. Feedback I have had tells me that you are enjoying seeing what your child is achieving at school.

Dates for your diary



Please check the newsletters in the next few weeks for details of the maths and English workshops for parents. These are a very useful way of finding out what your children are learning in school now and will be going on to learn in the future.

Maths workshop: Wednesday 16th January 2pm English workshop: Thursday 31st January 2pm



Elm class will now have PE on Wednesdays due to timetable changes.

The children are now much better at getting changed and looking after their own belongings, but we continue to find many un-named items after the lessons. To support this, please ensure that your child has the correct, <u>named</u> PE and uniform in school.

Please also ensure that if your child has pierced ears that only stud earnings are worn at school, and that these are removed on PE days. Long hair should always be tied up.



We are continuing to develop our garden area and mud kitchen in our outside area. If you have any old kitchen equipment that you could donate for this-saucepans, utensils, plastic bowls etc. The children really enjoy playing outside and although we do try to make sure they are suitably dressed, clothes can become wet or muddy. You may like to provide them with their own wellies for outside play.

If your child is sent home with a change of clothes/underwear for any reason, please wash and return them as soon as possible, as we are running low on spares.

Many Thanks for your continued support.

If you have any issues that you would like to discuss please do not hesitate to contact us.

Mrs Reynolds and The Early Years Team.