

Summer 2023

Early Years News Reception

How you can help at home

We cannot believe it is summer term already and your child's last few months in Reception! This term is all about aiming for the 'Early Learning Goals', set by the government, which are the Age Related Expectations for the end of Reception and readiness for year 1 (The Age Related Expectations can be viewed on the class pages of our website). **Your support is crucial and any help at home invaluable.**

Main focuses for summer term:

- Writing simple sentences **independently**, not copied. High frequency words e.g. the, and, went, to, should be spelt correctly (please see our webpage for a list of words for Reception). Other words can be spelt *phonetically* - written as they sound and not necessarily spelt correctly e.g. sinima for cinema.
- Recognising, ordering and using numbers **to 20**, recognising one more and one less **to 20**.
- Simple addition and subtraction e.g. $6+4=10$ so $4+6$ also makes 10 and $10-4=6$, $10-6=4$ etc.
- Practise doubling and halving numbers and sharing sets of objects equally.
- **Correct letter formation**, starting at the right place (NOT up from the bottom then adding the stick - there are many demonstration videos on YouTube if you need to check the correct way!)

If your child is not yet competent with the above skills they will not meet end of term expectations, please practise them as often as possible at home – many thanks for your continued support.

A Right Royal Rumpus!

We are really looking forward to joining in with all the King's Coronation celebrations this year so have decided our theme for summer term is 'A Right Royal Rumpus!' We will explore the lives of our King and Royal Family and those of others around the world. We will be creating fact-files about everything we've discovered as well as painting portraits, sequencing photos of our King, looking at stamps and money and much, much more! Hopefully, we will also inspire our imaginations to write our own stories... watch this space! Any related books or resources that you could lend us would be very much appreciated.

If you have your own Coronation celebrations please send us photos to share in class.

End of Year and Coronation Celebrations!

We are very excited about our trip to the ice cream Farm on Wednesday 10th May. Many thanks for your contributions enabling our trip to go ahead and to those parents who have offered to come along and help, it's very much appreciated and will be a great day! On Friday 5th May we will be holding a Coronation Celebration Day, come dressed in **red**, white and **blue** (more details to follow).

IMPORTANT DATES

- Coronation Day, dress in **Red**, white & **blue** – Friday 5th May
- Ice cream farm trip – Wednesday 10th May – **please note change of date.**
- Sports Day – Wednesday 24th May - AM
- Royal Ball dressing up day – Wednesday 14th June

A Few Reminders:

- All children will need a cap or sunhat in school to take part in outdoor activities. **PLEASE NAME CLEARLY.**
- In hot weather please remember to apply sun cream at home.
- Please also ensure that your child has a named **WATER** bottle (not juice) brought to school each day. Many thanks