

# Foundation Stage 1

## Newsletter

### Summer 1 Term 2022

Whilst we still cannot have parents in school at this time, please do not hesitate to ask if there is anything you wish to know or discuss.

#### Communication and Language

Our children are becoming much more confident in speaking about what they know and asking questions. We are encouraging children to speak in full sentences as they answer questions and communicate with each other when sharing. We will be learning two stories this half term; Jack and the Beanstalk and Goldilocks and the three bears.

#### Expressive Arts & Design

We will be linking some of our making and baking to the stories that we are learning this half term. The children will still be able to access resources to use their imagination and make or build whatever they choose to. As a class we are going to make our own giant beanstalk, this will grow every day just like a real one!



#### Physical Development

We will be concentrating on how we hold a pencil and how we can write our name. If your child is interested in doing this you could practise this at home. We are hoping to start yoga sessions with our children during this half term and continuing into the next. We are also going to do some PE sessions with our new team member Mrs Thorpe.

#### Maths

Through the stories that we have chosen to learn, we will have opportunities to learn and practise lots of maths. Measuring, size ordering, matching number to quantity and careful counting. Our maths learning will be individual and targeted at each child's level of understanding.

If you have any queries or questions at all, please feel free to email the school office, or post a note in the red post box outside the main school reception. Thank you for your continued support, The Foundation Stage 1 Team.

#### Personal, Social & Emotional Development

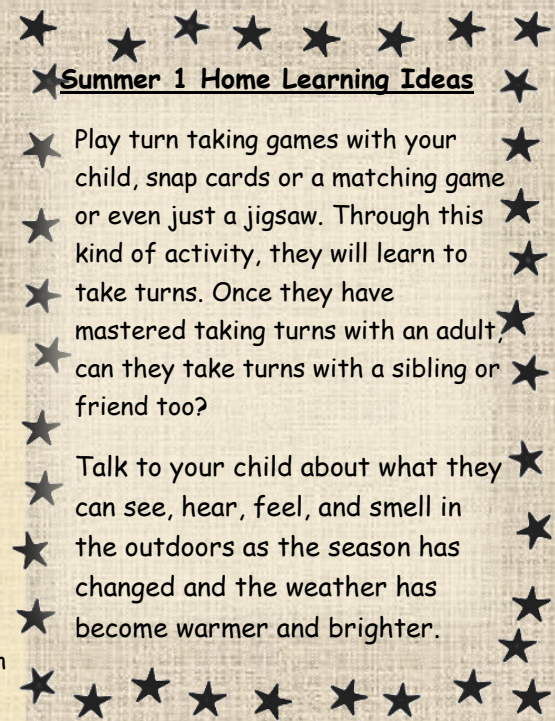
We are working with all children to support them in using language to negotiate when trying to ask their friends to share. We are modelling sentences such as "Can I have a turn please?" We are also encouraging our children to use the timer independently when they want others to share what they are using.

#### Literacy

If your child has a favourite story at home that they love to read over and over we would also really enjoy sharing their story with them in school. Our children love to share their stories with their friends. Please send stories if your child would like to share theirs. We will be reading lots of rhyming stories to help the children to recognise rhyming words. We are going to begin to learn our phonics sounds this half term.

#### Understanding of the World

We will be learning about Spring and the changes that are happening outdoors now that the weather is getting warmer. We now have our two Guinea Pigs, our class pets. Through the coming weeks our children will have chance to handle them and learn how to take care of them. We will also be learning the traditional tale Jack and the Beanstalk alongside planting our own beans in our garden.



#### Summer 1 Home Learning Ideas

- ★ Play turn taking games with your child, snap cards or a matching game or even just a jigsaw. Through this kind of activity, they will learn to take turns. Once they have mastered taking turns with an adult, can they take turns with a sibling or friend too?
- ★ Talk to your child about what they can see, hear, feel, and smell in the outdoors as the season has changed and the weather has become warmer and brighter.