



“Everything is possible for the person who has faith” Mark 9.23

SPRING TERM TWO

Dear Parents,

Our theme this half term is 'Transport and People Who Help Us', and we will be exploring this through all seven areas of the Foundation Stage Curriculum. We will also be celebrating World Book Day, Shrove Tuesday, and raising money for Comic Relief. We will be learning about why we celebrate Easter and the symbolisms that represent Easter, such as Easter eggs, hot cross buns and new life in Spring. As the weather improves, we will be doing some gardening in our outdoor area and will learn all about what plants need to grow.

We would like to invite you to our Mother's Day Afternoon Tea on 17th March and our Foundation Class Assembly on the 23rd March. Details to follow shortly.

Educational Visit

I am very pleased to tell you that we will be going on a class visit to the **Emergency Services Museum in Sheffield on Thursday 23rd February**. We will be learning about people who help us in the emergency services, and exploring emergency vehicles from the past. Further details will follow shortly.


Reading and Maths Homework

Phonics and Reading is prioritized in Foundation Stage Two, as it opens many other doors for learning. Please ensure your child reads a little every day and continues to revise their letter sounds in their green Sound Book. Don't forget to praise them by writing a comment in their reading diary too. Remember they are working towards their reward certificates, and we will stamp their diary every time they read three times a week. I will also put links to the RWI virtual classroom on DoJo on a regular basis. Children will also bring home a new library book every week. **Bring your reading folder every day! Remember rereading the same book/text several times develops fluency and language acquisition.** I am also going to put a practical or oral Maths challenge on Dojo every Friday. **This doesn't need to be recorded on paper and will always consolidate previous learning.** I would be happy to receive any photos by Do Jo of learning at home!

Snacks, Water and Milk

We will continue to provide a fruit snack and a carton of milk. If your child would like to bring another snack, it must be a healthy choice and only water should be in school water bottles. We are also trying to reduce the use of plastic packaging, so please send snacks in reusable packaging. This is in line with school policy. Please keep us up to date about any allergies or food intolerances your child may have.

P.E

Our PE day will continue to be on Wednesday afternoon, and we will also get lots of fresh air and exercise outdoors in our outdoor learning. Please can you ensure that your child has the appropriate PE kit (a yellow T shirt and black shorts). **It would also be a good time to buy your child some black school pumps for outdoor PE.** If your child has their ears pierced, ideally earrings should be taken out, or if they have recently been pierced we can put some tape over them.  Can you also make sure they have a thick warm coat

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that zips up, and a hat and a pair of gloves where possible? It can still be quite chilly in Spring. **Also, can all clothing be named please? Thank you!**

Toys and personal belongings

An increasing number of children are bringing toys, teddies and rings and bracelets to school. This is causing friction amongst their peers and distracting children from their learning. Please can you check your child's bag before they come to school, as I know it is often the children who get up to a bit of mischief and pop them in their bags!

Communication

I will continue to use Dojo as a form of communication and for quick reminders. Key information will still be on the school website and the school half termly newsletter. If you have any concerns or questions regarding your child, I am the key person to speak to and Mrs Mwangi, or Mrs Abassi are always happy to support.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind Regards

Mrs Walsh and the Foundation Team.



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