

Foundation Newsletter

Spring 2019

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! We hope you have had a lovely festive season and restful break.

Our big questions this term are:

Spring 1:

'Who was the first person to reach the South Pole?'

'If you had a superpower, what would it be?'

Spring 2:

'How are fossils formed?'

'How do you look after a chick?'

From,

Mrs Edwards (FC), Miss Mackay (FE), Mrs Killingworth and the rest of the Foundation Team.

Dates for your diary

11.01.19

Auditions in school for Talent Show

22.01.19

Talent Show @ 9.15am

25.01.19

Disco

06.02.19

Safer Internet Day

05.03.19

Mardi Gras

5th - 6th March

Parent's Evening

07.03.19

World Book Day

Wk commenting 18.03.19

Happy Chick Company Chicks in school

Wk commencing 01.04.19

Holy Week Celebrations

Weeks commencing 7th Jan, 14th Jan & 21st Jan

In these first three weeks, we will be exploring cold places (Arctic and Antarctica). We will be discovering who was the first to reach the South Pole, what scientific experiments the explorers conducted and what was like to live there. We will be comparing Scott's hut to the Halley Research Station, the living conditions and clothes people wear. We will learn about the life cycle of an Emperor Penguin.

Weeks commencing 28th Jan, 4th Feb & 11th Feb

Watch out for those evil peas! Supertato to the rescue!



Over the three weeks, the children will be learning about famous superheroes and deciding what ultimate power they would choose.

Weeks commencing 25th Feb, 4th Mar & 11th Mar

After half term our first topic will be Dinosaurs. We will learn about palaeontologist Mary Anning's discoveries and how fossils are formed.

Weeks commencing 18th Mar, 25th Mar & 1st April

In the final three weeks of the spring term, we will become home to some baby chicks. The children will be able to watch them hatch and grow. They will be responsible for cleaning and feeding them. We will also be starting our project in the allotment and learning about growing plants and vegetables.

RE

In R.E this term our key themes are Celebrating, Gathering and Growing. We will begin by looking at ourselves as members of the Parish family and finding out about what happens in Church. We will also be looking at the new life we see around us in Spring and learning about the Easter story.

Spring Term Challenges

Developing your child's independence

The children have done so well settling in, coming into school on their own and performing in front of an audience that we'd like to set some challenges to continue this in the spring term.

1. I can dress myself (buttons and turning clothes inside out)
2. I can read at home everyday and practice my phonics sounds (5 minutes is all it needs)
3. I can form my letters correctly (homework for this term)
4. I can look after my belongings (please help your child by labelling everything)

Reminder:

SEESAW is not checked by the teachers on a daily basis. If you have an urgent message and/ or a change of collection arrangements, please send in a written note, speak to Mrs Pezzolo on the gate or with the office staff.

We will do our best to make your child's time at school as happy as we can. If you have any problems or concerns, however small they may seem, please do not hesitate to contact us straight away as they can often be resolved very easily. We are available to talk to every day but would ask you to make an appointment if you think the matter will need long discussion.

Hand in hand with Jesus Christ we live, love and learn together.