

FSU – Summer 1 (Year B) Newsletter

Topic: **Our Superheroes** (People who help us.)

Key Information

Welcome to the new children and their families starting this term.

Mrs Clarke is the class teacher (Monday to Thursday) and Mrs Wells on Fridays.

Mrs Ling is our Nursery Nurse every morning, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons. Miss Buckley covers Monday, Thursday and Friday afternoons.

Homework– (Reception only) should be uploaded weekly onto the *Tapestry* App-please see separate homework grid.

Reception children should also be reading their RWInc, Reading books and practising their red words (bookmark) at least 5 times a week.

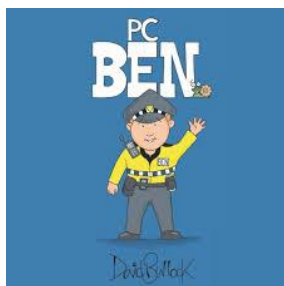
Nursery have sharing books in their bookbags which are changed once a week. These are to be read to them.

This term we will have **Forest school** on Thursday Mornings. Children should have suitable clothing for the weather including sun cream applied before school and a sun hat.

For those who normally are in on a Thursday, on 1st May, we are looking forward to celebrating **May Day** with the rest of the school instead of Forest School.

Literacy

This term we will be using stories and non-fiction texts to learn about different occupations and ways people help us and those in our community. We will explore the difference between fiction and information books. We also have some special visitors planned to tell us about their jobs, and how they help people!



Phonics

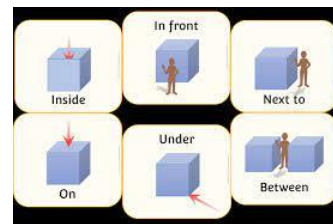
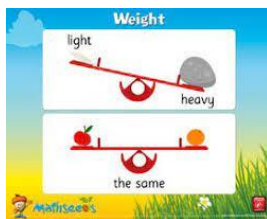
Reception Children will be revising all of the set 1 and 2 sounds to consolidate them, especially the Special Friends. We will continue to develop our writing, including using a capital letter to start a sentence and write a name; and using a full stop at the end of a sentence. We will also be practising to **Plan, Do and Review** our writing as part of our school focus on metacognition.

Nursery Children are going to continue segmenting and blending words. They are also practicing writing their name with increasing independence and accuracy, forming each letter with the correct orientation, starting in the right place.

Maths

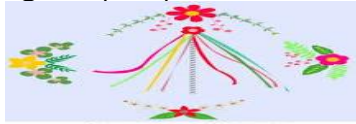
Reception Children will continue with the Mastering Number NCETM programme. Furthering their understanding of doubles and the composition of numbers up to 5. They will be extending this to see 6-10 as numbers that are '5 and a bit.' This helps them to think about pairs of numbers that not only add together to make 5, but also some to 10. We will continue to encourage the children to explain their thinking and what they see using stem sentences. This helps them to understand the process of maths not just focus on the answer in isolation.

Nursery Children will be thinking about positional language through reading stories about journeys and sequencing events. They will be comparing objects by size and length, weight and capacity.



Understanding the World

This half term, FSU will be learning about People Who help us - inside school and in the community. Including doctors, police officers and vets. We will also be learning about the traditions of celebrating Mayday in our Community.



PE/Forest School

This half term FSU will have Forest School on Thursday mornings.



In RE we will focus on **Who are Christians & what do they believe?**

Revisiting the School Vision including the Story of the Mustard Seed and hearing about some of the Miracles of Jesus. In learning about and celebrating May Day we will be asking **What do people celebrate and Why?**

Expressive Arts and Design



This half term amongst other art and craft activities, we will be drawing observationally and making sculptures from playdough and recycled materials. In Music we have a *Funky Music and Movement* project to develop our listening and rhythm skills.

PSHE

In PSHE this half term, children will be looking at the school value of **resilience**.