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We sent home the children's school reports on Wednesday. Included in the report is the end of year Early Years profile, these shows the current level your child is working at. This data enables us to do a robust handover to the Year 1 teachers and ensure that the learning and provision in September is correct. Please ensure that you sign and return the reply slip before the end of term.

Our Learning this Week

Mrs Birtwistle/Mrs Richardson's group have continued to look at CVCC (consonant, vowel, consonant, consonant) words, letter formation and handwriting and sentence work. Mrs Birtwistle/Mrs Richardson's phonics group have continued to work through Phase 5 letters and sounds and applied this in their sentence work each day. Mrs Dodd's group have worked with CVCC words within Phase 4 focussing on the initial blends in words and incorporating this into our sentence work. Our introduction to polysyllabic words was super and the children worked extremely hard looking at new words which were a little longer to de-code, we will continue to work on this next week. In our maths sessions, we have been working on combining two numbers and writing the number sentence correctly. Our focus was also number formation.

Junk Modelling Materials

Thank you for the boxes and tubes that have been coming into school this week the children have been very creative and made some adventurous models. Please continue to bring them into school, as we will always need the materials replacing.

P.E. Kits

We will be sending the children home in their PE Kits on Monday after our last PE session they do not need to be returned to school until September. This will give you an opportunity to check the sizing of PE kits and pumps. Please ensure that all items are clearly labelled.

Twitter

Early Years are regularly tweeting "snapshots" of our day and exciting times and achievements. Please look as we are always super proud of our children and this is an excellent way for you to share this with us.

Year 1 Stay and Play

Thank you to all our families who were able to attend our extra transition session today. It was lovely to be able to meet the new teachers and to familiarise the new classroom environment and resources.

Year 6 Leavers Assembly

We were able to watch the dress rehearsal for the Year 6 production and the children loved it.



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Teddy Bears Picnic Thursday 19th July 9.00am - 10.30am

Weather permitting, we will go on to the school field for our "Teddy Bear's Picnic". Please come with a picnic blanket to sit on and a small snack and drink to share with your child. If you are unable to attend please, let Mrs Dodd know and we will ensure that all children have a snack to eat and a member of staff/parent to share their experience with. Please remember when choosing snack items that we are a nut free/kiwi free school. We are really looking forward to sharing this time with everyone. If you have, any questions do not he sitate to ask a member of the team. There will be some equipment for the children to play with on the field.

Reading books and Reading Diaries

All the children have been benchmarked to determine their level of reading for Year 1. We will send the reading diaries home with the benchmarking sticker inside and ask that all reading books that you currently have be returned to school next week. We can then reorder and replace any book-banded books that are necessary for September.

Our learning next Week

Mrs Birtwistle/Mrs Richardson's group will continue to look at CVCC (consonant, vowel, consonant, consonant) words, letter formation and handwriting and sentence work. They will incorporate some of the new phonemes that they have been using in recent weeks, into their sentences. Mrs Dodd's group will continue to work on CVCC words within Phase 4, we will continue to look at polysyllabic and include this in our sentence work each day. In our maths sessions, we will be looking at sharing which is the start of division. The sessions will be very practical and we will end the week with a variety of maths and phonics activities for the children to complete.

Homework

In our activities this week, we have been experimenting with floating and sinking. So can you build a boat? We will have a boat competition in a paddling pool at our Teddy Bears Picnic. We would like it to be a family effort. We need your boat to sink and have a good sail. Good Luck.

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 19th July - Stay and Play 6 - Teddy Bears Picnic Friday 20th July - Finish for the summer holidays



Have a wonderful weekend

Mrs J Dodd Mrs N Birtwistle Mrs Z Richardson