

St. Margaret's at Cliffe Primary School

Reception Class Newsletter Terms 5 and 6 2018-2019

Mrs Hoile, Mrs Collins and Miss Trevor

Mrs Hoile and Mrs Collins are the class teachers. **Mrs Hoile** will be in class on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and **Mrs Collins** on Thursday and Friday. **Miss Trevor**, our Teaching Assistant, is in class every day.

The Early Years Team liaise during the week to plan and assess how best to move the children forward with their learning.

Topics for Terms 5 – Traditional Tales

Topics for Term 6 – Lighthouses and Mini-beasts

Beginning Transition to Year One

We are proud of the children and how independent they have been in their morning routine – putting all their things away and coping so well. We know that this is hard for some children – but they are doing a great job! Lunchtimes have been a great success as well – it is lovely to watch the children making new friends on the big playground.

Reading and Spelling

Please look out for our new tricky word mat coming home this term with the Phase 3 and 4 tricky words/sight words for your children to read and spell.

Bertie the Bear and Class Treasure Box

We would like to say a big thank you and celebrate last terms learning with you. The children have really impressed us with their speaking and listening skills and we are very proud of their efforts.

Thank you for your support.




Home learning

This term we will be sending home some home learning ideas for you to choose from over the term. Please ensure your child's book is in school on Fridays. We love to celebrate the children's learning with them at school. Thank you to those parents who are supporting their children with their learning at home.

Phase 2 and 3 sound mats – Please continue to practise any unfamiliar sounds with your child.

All children should now be blending and segmenting with confidence using the phonemes from Phase 2 and Phase 3 (please refer to the children's Sound Mats). We are now beginning Phase 4. Please continue to support your child at home to use their sounds when reading and writing independently.



Good news from home - Thank you for all the Good news slips that you have written for your child. If you need good news slips at home please do ask – perhaps pop a note into the reading contact book or ask us on the playground. We continue to need this news about new learning from home.

P.E. lessons every Monday and Friday – the children will continue their P.E. lessons with Mr Castle. The children will need to get changed into their kits as independently as possible and will need to have their kits in school at all times. Some lessons will now be outside – please check that your child has appropriately sized plimsolls or trainers ready in their bag for these lessons.

Thank you.

Maths and Literacy challenge cards – Please continue to support your child's learning by completing our maths and literacy challenge cards at home. Please record this work in their Love to Learn Books.

Name labels!

Please check all your child's belongings are clearly labelled with their name.

Many thanks

Role Play – This term we will set up our role play area as a cottage to link with our learning about Traditional Tales. The children have loved playing in the Three Bear's Cottage and we will add resources linked to all the tales for this term. For more information about our topic this term please read our Traditional Tales topic web and curriculum information sheet.

Reading routine – Please remind your child to choose and read new class library books from the books in the cloakroom area. We will change their reading scheme books and phonic books each week. The children will continue to need their book bags, reading books and contact books in school every day. Thank you.

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 21st May - Teddy Bears Picnic/Bake off

Wednesday 15th May – Open afternoon

Tuesday 11th June – Lighthouse Trip

Thursday 13th June – Father's Day Stay and Play at 2.00 - 3.10pm

Monday 17th June – Whole Class Photographs

Wednesday 26th June –Class R and Nursery Sports Afternoon

Friday 28th June – PTFA Summer Fayre

Wednesday 10th July – Transition to Year 1 meeting in hall at 2:30pm

Wednesday 10th July - Open afternoon

Friday 19th July – Whole school Grand Day Out

Monday 22nd July – Family picnic 3:15pm