



## FOUNDATION STAGE ONE NEWSLETTER

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AUTUMN 1 Term 2018



Welcome to Foundation One. We hope you enjoyed your Summer Holidays. We are all looking forward to supporting your child as the year progresses, and watching them grow into independent and caring members of our school.

**NEWS:** For those of you who were here last year, we have the fantastic news that Mrs Henderson has had a little girl, called Olivia. She will pop in to see the children in a few weeks.

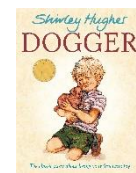
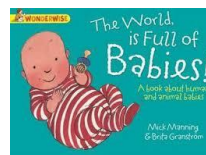
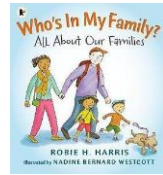
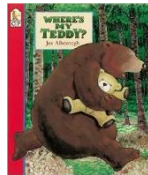
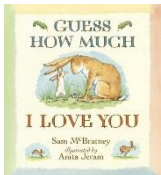
This half term our topic is titled 'Why do you love me so much?' We will be learning about the things that are special about each of us and how we show others that we care for them. We will look at celebrations such as Harvest Festival, birthdays and weddings and talk about how these are times to show others we love them. For our memorable experience, we will be visited by a parent with their baby, so that the children can talk about what babies need and why they are so special in people's families. This week, your child will come home with a small packet. This is a place for you to put things that are important and special to your child, and can include drawings, photos or items. Your child is welcome to decorate their packet too. Please bring these in over the next few weeks and we can share them, and return them to you.

Mr Hardy, the Sports Coach will lead PE each Monday for this half term. Children will stay in their uniform during this time.

*Guess how much I love you - S. McBratney*

*Where's my teddy? - J. Alborough*

*Who's in my family - R. Harris*



*The world is full of babies - M. Manning*  
*Dogger - S. Hughes*  
*Love Monster - R. Bright*

### Fallen Fields



To mark the centenary for the end of World War One, the whole school are taking part in different activities and sessions to learn about this significant time in history. In foundation one and two we will be touching on this briefly, through art, music and linking to our topic, thinking about families.

### Staffing

Mrs Williams and Miss Simpson are the regular staff in the unit. Mrs Wingrove will be covering Mrs Williams' PPA (planning, preparation and assessment) every Wednesday morning. Mrs Wingrove also teaches in year 1 for part of the week. We are also supported by Mrs Meakin and Miss Baldwin across lunch to provide cover and support for those children accessing the 30 hours provision.

If you are not sure who is who, please feel free to ask and we can introduce ourselves.

## Rhyme of the Week

We will be looking at a different nursery rhyme each week, which we will sing and sometimes practise actions with. We will send home a copy of the words for the rhyme each week, however below is a list of the rhymes for this half term. The following website has animations for you to practise with your child at home.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/learning/schoolradio/subjects/earlylearning/nurserysongs>

### **September**

10<sup>th</sup> - Twinkle, twinkle little star

17<sup>th</sup> - Baa Baa Black Sheep

24<sup>th</sup> - The Grand Old Duke of York

### **October**

1<sup>st</sup> - 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 Once I caught a fish alive

8<sup>th</sup> - Five Little Ducks

15<sup>th</sup> - Incy Wincey Spider

22<sup>nd</sup> - Fallen Fields themed week music



## Library Books

Every Monday your child will have the opportunity to choose a book to bring home. This book will be one they have chosen that interests or excites them. Please take time to share the book with your child, and remember to return it the following Monday, just drop it in the green box. A new one will not be given if it is not returned. We will also send home a reading diary, so that you can write in it when you have shared the book with your child.



## Water Bottles & Snack

Children are allowed to bring in water bottles which can be accessed throughout the session. Please do not send fizzy drinks and make sure the bottle is labelled clearly with your child's name. During snack time all children will be given the opportunity to have milk and snack (a piece of fruit or vegetable). Morning children can order a hot snack if they would like one. You can pay and order hot snack in the morning or for the whole week if you prefer. Pizza muffins have been replaced by a crumpet and butter.

Toast & Butter 20p    Toast & Jam 25p

Crumpet & Butter 35p



## Dates for your Diary

*Details will follow for the activities below, please look out for whole school letters.*

19/9/18 - Vegetable Competition

24<sup>th</sup> -28<sup>th</sup>/9/18 - Recycling Week

27/9/18 - Sponsored Walk (details to follow)

5/10/18 - Individual photos (details to follow)

25/10/18 - Halloween Disco (details to follow)

26/10/18 - INSET DAY & half term begins

5/11/18 - School starts back

## Outstanding Owl of the Week



Each week we choose one child from the morning session and one from the afternoon session to be our 'Outstanding Owls'. The children will receive a certificate and will have their photographs displayed in the school hall alongside the other children through school.

### Clothing



The children will have outdoor learning every day. Please ensure that they have appropriate clothing with them. Some weeks on Friday's we will be going onto the school field, so could you please provide your child with a pair of wellies that can be kept in school. Please make sure they are clearly labelled with your child's full name. We will always try to give you notice if we are going to go on the field.

Spare clothes, school uniform and coats **MUST** be labelled with your child's name. This makes it easier for us to match up your child, with their clothing, not easy with 3 and 4 year olds in unnamed clothing! If your child is sent home in our spare clothes, please return them once washed.



### WOW Moments

In the unit, we would love to hear about any recent achievements, news or exciting activities that you and your child have been up to at home. In the cloakroom area is our WOW board. Please write any exciting things you would like to share with us on a WOW slip located in the packet on the board. Please find attached some WOW slips.



### Wall of Fame

Once you've let us know in the unit, please go to the office and fill in the Wall of Fame sheet. This will mean your child will get a mention in assembly and can choose a prize from the goodie box.

### Helping at Home

- ❖ Read/share a book with your child every evening for a few minutes.
- ❖ Practice holding a pencil.
- ❖ Practice counting - count the stairs you climb/the plates at tea time.
- ❖ Talk to her/him about their day at Nursery. A good way of getting something out of your child is to ask the question: What was the best thing about today?
- ❖ Encourage independent skills, e.g. toileting, putting on and fastening their own coat, putting their things on their own peg.



If you would like to speak to us, the end of a session is usually the best time, however if we are unavailable we are more than happy to make an appointment to see you.

Thank you for your support.

The Foundation 1 team

# Wow Moment!

Write when your child  
does something amazing!

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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