



## FOUNDATION STAGE ONE NEWSLETTER

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AUTUMN 2 Term 2018



NEWS: Parents Evening Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November - please return your slip for an appointment.

This half term our topic is titled 'Is it shiny?' We will be learning about shiny things and things that glow in the dark. We will look at reflections and light. With Christmas on the way, there will be lots of glitter, sparkles, gems and treasure hunting! We will also look at the ways that Christmas is celebrated in different places. We started the topic this week with our Memorable experience, with a cheeky elf hiding all our shiny things! Luckily we found them outside and managed to collect them in our treasure chest!

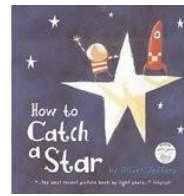
We would like to ask if you have any old CD's that you no longer want, we would love to take them off your hands to use for our crafts and investigating.

During this half term, we will be sharing different books, some of which are listed below.

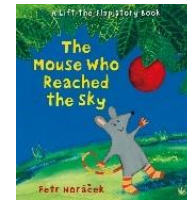
*The Rainbow Fish - M. Pfister*



*How to catch a star - O. Jeffers*



*The mouse who reached the sky - P. Horacek*



### Christmas Dates

We have started practising for the nativity! The children will be performing this with Mr Turner's FS2 class on **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm** and **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 10am**. Children will only need to take part in the performance that takes place during their normal session (am or pm). Children who attend all day (30 hour children), will be in both performances. We will send more details about this in the next few weeks, along with your child's part and their costume.

On **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December**, we will hold a short Christingle celebration in the hall for Foundation 1 and 2 children. We will also be joined by year 1 and 2. More information will follow.

On **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December**, which is the last day of school before the Christmas break, we will have our Christmas party day. More information will follow.

### Staffing

There are two consecutive Mondays at the end of November and the first Monday in December, when Mrs Bates, the year one teacher, will be covering Mrs Williams.

## Rhyme of the Week

We are continuing to sing nursery rhymes each week, however the nativity songs will be taking over! Our nativity songs are sung to different nursery rhyme tunes. We are taking part in Nursery rhyme week which consists of learning a rhyme each day and doing lots of craft and fun activities linked to the rhymes. For more information follow: <https://www.musicbugs.co.uk/world-nursery-rhyme-week>

### World Nursery Rhyme Week - November 2018

Monday 19th: '5 currant buns'

Tuesday 20th: 'Humpty Dumpty'

Wednesday 21st: 'A Sailor went to sea'

Thursday 22nd: 'I'm a little teapot'

Friday 23rd: 'Round and round the garden'

## Library Books

Please return library books on Monday's along with your child's reading diary.



## 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.**



## Unnamed clothing

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.

## Dates for your Diary

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

16/11/18 - Odd sock Day (School uniform but odd socks for Anti-bullying week)

15/11/18 - FS1 Parents Evening

11/12/18 - 2pm: Nativity Performance (*all day & pm children*)

13/12/18 - 10am: Nativity Performance (*all day & am children*)

18/12/18 - FS & Key Stage 1 Christingle

20/12/18 - Christmas Party Day & Last day

21/12/18 - INSET

7/1/19 - First day of Spring term

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 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.

# Wow Moment!

Write when your child does something amazing!

Full name:

Date:




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