

St Joseph's



Reception Newsletter – 17th July

What a fantastic final week in Reception! The children enjoyed the Rock Steady concert, Art exhibition, Bikeability and having lunch and a party with their Year Six buddies. We really could not be more proud of all the children and how well they have done this year. We will miss them so much, but know they are going to do amazing things in Year One. The children are ready for a well deserved rest. We have some ideas and activities below that will help your child with their learning over the Summer break and with their transition into Year one. Please don't forget to keep their 'All about me' boxes safe and add to them over the break.

Getting Ready for Year 1

Activities for children leaving Reception and getting ready for Year 1 to do over the summer holidays!

- Daily Reading**
Read stories every day together.
- Practice Writing**
Write letters, words & simple sentences.
- Count & Add**
 $5 + 3 =$
Practice counting and adding up to 20.
- Phonics Fun!**
Review phonics sounds and play word games.
- Number Games**
Play board games and number puzzles.
- Creative Crafts**
Make arts and crafts projects.
- Nature Explorers**
Go on nature walks and bug hunts.
- Shape & Measure**
Learn about shapes and measuring things.

✧ Have Fun & Learn Every Day! ✧

HOME LEARNING

Ready for Year 1 – Summer Challenge Pack

Reading & Story Fun

- ☐ Read a story every day for a week
- ☐ Spot 5 words while out and about
- ☐ Act out your favourite story with toys

Writing & Drawing

- ☐ Keep a summer diary for 5 days
- ☐ Write and send a postcard
- ☐ Draw and label your own treasure map

Maths in the Everyday

- ☐ Count 20 shells, flowers, or cars
- ☐ Play “shop” and add up coins
- ☐ Find 5 different shapes outdoors

Creative & Curious

- ☐ Build something from recycling
- ☐ Make a nature collage
- ☐ Test which objects float or sink

Active & Outdoors

- ☐ Play “follow the leader” with jumps, hops, and skips
- ☐ Create an obstacle course
- ☐ Go on a listening walk and name 5 sounds



The children have been re-tested over the past few weeks and have made fantastic progress this term.

Over the first week of the holiday the website will be updated with new links to resources to use over the summer holidays. These will be short film clips of sounds and reading words so that the children continue to cement their phonics knowledge. Expected progress by the end of Reception is for Children to be at Green.

The groups run – ditty, red, green, purple, pink, orange, yellow, blue, grey.

Children up to Pink should be working on set 1 and set 2 sounds and should be secure in reading words with these sounds.

Children working beyond orange are working on set 3 sounds.

On the website, go to the Children tab – subject areas – Read Write Inc.

HOLIDAY



ALL ABOUT ME BOX

You have been busy making a box to get you ready for Year 1. Please add to this box once it comes home with you.

It could be more items about you or memories from your summer.

We will share these boxes in our first week back in September.



Mrs Davies and Miss Edwards

Some memories of our time in Reception



Lunch with our Year 6 buddies!! We had a lovely last day with them, Thanks to Mrs O'Kane for organising this.



We hope you have a lovely summer break and have lots of fun. Thank you for a fantastic year and for the beautiful cards and gifts!

The Reception Team.