



Rye Community Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Welcome back! We hope that you all enjoyed the holidays. This term's topic is "Into the Woods". Our core text is Little Red Riding Hood and we will be learning about looking after the environment and one another. Our focus artist this term is William Morris and we will be learning how to create observational drawings of nature and printing on fabric. We are really excited about our annual parent partnership event – A Teddy Bears picnic in the woods at Ham Street. This term we will be starting transition work ahead of the children's move into Key Stage One. The children have joined the rest of the school for playtimes and they are thrilled to have more space at lunchtime and more people to play with!



Reading

Please continue to support your child within the phonics skills by practising their assigned reading book at home every day. In addition, at the end of last term we sent home your child's most recent phonics assessments; please practise the sounds and words which were not marked off. We will be continuing to work through our Reading Passport books; we would like to remind you to share your child's reading passport with them regularly – the idea is that the children learn these stories, the vocabulary within them and can answer questions about the books. Those of you that were able to attend our 'Share and Learn' at the end of last term, will have discovered that this term the children will be completing fun writing activities in response to their passport books. After sharing the book together, please support your child to complete one, of the three, star challenges. Once completed these should come into school where they will be celebrated.

Development check point, for this point of the year

All children should be blending sounds within simple words.
Most children should be reading simple sentences independently.
Some children will be reading with prosody and expression.



Maths

This term the class will be learning numbers beyond ten. The lessons will be focusing on solving subtraction and addition problems practically. We will be exploring capacity and rotating shapes. Season Three of Numberblocks on the BBC iPlayer is a fantastic learning tool that you can access at home.

Development check point for this point of the year

All children should be able to count up to 10 objects correctly and match to the correct corresponding numeral.
Most children should be creating their own repeating patterns.
Some children will be able to recall the number bonds to ten eg. $0+10$, $1+9$, $2+8$, $3+7$, $4+6$, $5+5$, $6+4$, $7+3$, $8+2$, $9+1$, $10+0$



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Forest School and PE

Forest School will be on a Thursday morning. Children should come to school wearing suitable clothing that covers their arms and legs. Wellies and waterproofs are needed but please keep an eye on the weather forecast; as it's very changeable!



After Forest School, the children will change into their PE kits

- Black shorts/joggers/leggings
- white t-shirt (with or without school logo),
- black plimsolls or trainers.

Please ensure long hair is tied back and no jewellery is worn. Earrings that cannot be removed will be taped up by staff.

Homework

This term's weekly homework will include:

- Phonics home learning sheet – recapping this week's phonics lessons
- 2 pages of the maths workbook

Homework is set and new reading books are issued on a Friday. Homework, reading books and passport books are collected in every Thursday.

To further support the children in preparing for Year One we will be sending home a handwriting booklet. This is to be worked through at your child's pace; the focus is on accuracy and neatness, not speed. So, master one letter at a time. When you believe that your child has secured the correct letter formations, please return the booklet for us to celebrate and reward this achievement in school.

Cool Milk

Milk

Only the children under 5 years of age or whose parents have pre-ordered and paid for the milk will be able to have milk at snack time. If your child is over 5 and you would like them to still have a carton of milk then you can order it via www.coolmilk.com and please inform a member of team so that we can ensure that they receive the order.

*Many thanks
Mrs Isted*