



St Paul's Nursery Newsletter



June 2022

Dear Parents and Children,

Welcome back to our last term in Nursery! We hope you had an enjoyable half term. This half term is going to be action packed, with lots of events planned and in the process of being planned.

This half term's Theme:

Our theme this half term will be Under the Sea. Each week we will focus on a different underwater environment and will explore the animal life found there. We will think about how we can protect our seas and learn about the impact humans are having on the oceans and sea life.



We will also be thinking about our own experiences of going to the seaside and being at the beach.

If you have any photographs of your child at the seaside, please could you bring them in or email them to us via the school office.

office@stpauls.hounslow.sch.uk

An overview of the half term is attached to this newsletter for your information.

Phonics:

At the end of last term, we started to introduce the children to the Read Write Inc phonics scheme that is used in Reception and Year One.

The children did an amazing job of identifying the sounds and matching them to objects. We shall continue to introduce a sound each week. Information will be sent home later this week with the homework (see below).

Reading Books and Homework:

Thank you for all of your support in reading with your child at home. Reading is such an important skill for the children to develop and sets them up for a great start to their schooling.

Reading books will continue to be collected in and returned on **Wednesday**. Please ensure you sign and comment in the reading log every week so we know your child has read.

Homework:

This half term we will be sending home a weekly phonics homework for you to complete with your child.

Each sheet will focus on an initial letter sound. Please encourage your child to practice saying the sound and talk about the pictures of objects starting with that sound. If your child is confident, they can practice writing the letter on the back of the sheet.

Homework will be collected in on Wednesday.

PE:

We shall continue to have PE on **Tuesday** morning.

This half term we shall be focusing on ball skills. We will be focusing on working safely in the available space whilst playing racing and chasing games and will develop our throwing and catching skills.

Clothing and Water Bottles:

As the weather is so changeable at the moment, please ensure that your child comes to school appropriately dressed for all weathers. A coat should be in school every day.

Please can we ask that you check your child's jumper or cardigan and ensure that it is clearly labelled with their name.

As much as we try to encourage them to look after their clothing, they will put them down, so it's important we can locate and return them quickly.

All children should have a water bottle in school every day.

Transitioning to Reception:

We have planned lots of activities for the children this term to enable them to become more familiar with the school routines and Reception which will help their transition into 'big school'.

You will have received your welcome letter inviting you to attend the parent's meeting on **Wednesday 29th June**. Please do try to come to this meeting as you will receive your welcome pack which includes your child's start date as well as lots of other information about life in Reception.

The stay and play session will take place on **Thursday 7th July**. On this day you are invited to come into school and spend time with your child exploring Reception and meeting the Reception Team.

If you have any questions about Reception or the transition arrangements please speak to a member of the team.

Infant Activity Day:

On Wednesday 15th June the children will be taking part in the Infant Activity Day. During the morning they will take part in a series of sports-based workshops. Please ensure that your child comes into school in comfortable clothing including trainers.

Dates for your diaries:

7th June – Class Photos
10th June – INSET Day School Closed
15th June – Infant Activity Day
21st June – Make Music Day
22nd June – Infant Sports Day (parents welcome to attend)
29th June – Parent's Welcome Meeting at 9:30am
7th July – Stay and Play sessions for children and parents
11th July – Parents Celebration Evening
21st July – School finishes at 1:30pm

The Foundation Stage Team