Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you all had a lovely Easter break. Thank you for coming along to our parent consultations. It was great to see you all and celebrate the wonderful work your children are doing. We are looking forward to the term ahead and the warmer, brighter days.

Curriculum

| | SummerA Theme Ticket to Ride! |
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| <u>Focus</u> | What a wonderful world Vehicles and transport Transport from the past and present Maps Different cultures Healthy eating British Values |
| <u>RE</u> | Good News & Friends |
| <u>Enrichment</u> | North East Land Sea and Air Museum |

Phonics, Writing and Reading

We have started Unit 11 within Sounds-Write. We have now covered:

Unit 1: a, i, m, s, t

Unit 2: n, o, p

Unit 3: b, c, g, h

Unit 4: d, f, v, e

Unit 5: k, l, r, u

Unit 6: j, w, z

Unit 7: x, y, ff, II, ss.

In Units 1 to 7, all words have the structure CVC.

Units 8 to 10 do not introduce any new sound-spelling correspondences but the complexity of the structure of the words is increased as follows:

Unit 8 VCC and CVCC

Unit 9: CCVC

Unit 10: CCVCC, CCCVC, CCVCCC

Finally, Unit 11 introduces the sound-spelling correspondences: <sh> for /sh/; <ch> for /ch/; for /th/ (voiced and unvoiced); <ck> for /k/.

We will then head into a bridging unit to help us prepare for moving onto the extended code in Year One.

This term the children will continue to write short captions and short sentences using their phonetic knowledge. Please keep practicing these sounds and high frequency word cards (the ones we send home) with your children. Children **MUST** bring their reading folders into school on their reading day for their books to be changed and sent back home. Although we read with the children every week, some children have sadly not had their books changed since last year due to no folders being returned.

Math

We will be recalling number facts including doubling and learning our number bonds to 10. We will be able to talk about odd and even numbers, how to share numbers. We will be learning how to subtract and estimate.

PE day

Our PE days are Tuesday and Friday. Children can come into school dressed in their white t-shirt, plain navy shorts/ leggings or tracksuit bottoms, plain navy hoody, jumper or school jumper, trainers and coat. Uniform must be plain; no logos are allowed.

Forest School

Forest school will return to Tuesday mornings this term as our forest school teacher will be leading the session. I will keep you updated on the week it is due to restart. It is looking likely their first session will be Tuesday 9th May 2023.

Uniform and Water Bottles

Please could you ensure that the children's names are clearly shown on all uniform to prevent it from going missing. Water bottles must come into school every day.

Please check out our Reception page on our St Mary's website for access to all newsletters, website and app recommendations and updated class curriculum photos. We will keep you updated with key dates via Dojo.

We would like to thank you for your continued support.

The Reception Team

