

# Reception Spring Term

Dear Parents,

We hope you enjoyed the lovely sunny half-term break and are all looking forward to another half term.

## 'Heroes'

Our topic for this half-term is 'Heroes' which will give us the opportunity to use our imaginations in the world of Superheroes and to explore real heroes that help us. We will be looking at doctors, nurses, vets, police, firefighters, etc. We would really appreciate any visitors so if anybody works in any of these professions, or similar, we would be delighted to hear from you.

## Homework

The children are making good progress in reading and writing so please continue to support your children by playing games with the word wall words. Please continue to flick through the sound books, focussing particularly on the latter and more difficult sounds which the children find more difficult to remember. Thank you for your continued support at home, it is really beneficial to boost their learning.

## Reading book ideas

When your child has read their reading book and it is not change day here are a few ideas of what you might like to do:

- Re-tell the story
- Hunt the word game (You say a word that was in the book and then they find that word. How quickly can they do it?)
- Make up another story using the characters that were in the book. What might they do? Say? Feel? (Talking is really important)
- Choose a word from the book and think of a word that rhymes with it, real or not real. E.g. park-dark etc, rake-cake etc.
- How many words can you find in the book that begin with ...e.g. c or end with e.g. ng.

Remember you only need to spend a few minutes each day and make it fun!

## Characteristics of Effective Learners

We are giving you a copy of the 'Characteristics of Effective Learning' which at parent's evening we referred to in your child's report. These characteristics are essential skills in ensuring your child has the capacity to learn effectively. When playing and working with your child please bear these characteristics in mind.

Please don't hesitate to pop in or make an appointment to see us if you have any questions or concerns.

Many Thanks,

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