

Blue Room (F1) Spring Term 1 2018

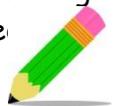
F1a - Mrs Foster
F1b - Mrs Fryer

Welcome to the F1 children starting in Blue Room! We hope you have all had a fantastic Christmas and New Year. It has been lovely hearing all about the things the children have been getting up to over the festive holiday. Hopefully the children are looking forward to starting the '**Celebrations and Festivals**' topic. After February half term we will begin our new topic of '**Growing**'.

During the day your child will enjoy participating in a mixture of teacher led and child led activities. At the start of each day your child will spend time with their class teacher, before going to enjoy 'Explore and Investigate' time. During this session children are able to explore all areas of the Foundation Unit and are able to lead their own learning.



In Communication, Language and Literacy we will enjoy listening to stories themed around our topics. These will include 'Kipper's Birthday', a Chinese New Year story and a non-fiction text called 'Pancakes'. We will be doing lots of activities based on the stories, such as creating story maps and ordering pictures. We will continue our handwriting practise; concentrating on using the correct letter formation and focusing on the correct place to start and finish each letter. We will provide daily opportunities for the children to engage in writing independently, and writing aide adult.



We will do lots of different activities based around our topics.

Our activities for this half term include: learning about the Chinese New Year, Shrove Tuesday, mixing colours, going on a 'Winter Walk', and using computers to learn about living things.

In music we will be looking at rhythm.



In Maths, we will be concentrating on numbers to 10 and doing lots of number formation practise too.

We will also look at ordinal numbers, linking them to the Chinese Zodiac Story.

Muddy Explorers

In Muddy Explorers, the children have the opportunity to take part in various learning activities outside. This could be exploring wildlife, making mud pies and potions or focusing on the differences between the seasons.

Please ensure your child brings named wellies and warm waterproofs into school on the following days:



F1a - Wednesday am

F1b Thursday am

Phonics



In Phonics we will be working on Phase 1. Phase 1 includes lots of activities that work on listening skills and discriminating between sounds.

Ball Skills

Ball Skills will take place on the following days:

F1a - Monday

F1b - Friday

Please bring in an outdoor PE kit with trainers each week. This will then be returned at the end of the day.



-Please ensure that book bags are brought into school every day.
-Please bring a clearly named water bottle into school on a Monday (F1a) or Wednesday (F1b)
-Water bottles will be sent home every Wednesday (F1a) and Friday (F1b) to be washed.

-Please ensure that all of your child's uniform and belongings are labelled clearly.

-To help your child please practise:

- Putting on their own coats and zipping them up
- Taking their shoes on and off
- Dressing and undressing themselves

Thank you, Mrs Foster and Mrs Fryer

If you have any spare time during the school day we always appreciate parents and grandparents coming in to help in class and on school visits. Please let your child's teacher know if you are able to help.



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