



# Reception Summer Term Newsletter



Welcome back.  
 We can't believe it is the Summer term already and that the children are in their last term with us!  
 This is always a busy term with lots of fun events.

Please ensure that you notify the office of any change of personal information (e.g. addresses or contact details) via [info.raleigh@sfet.org.uk](mailto:info.raleigh@sfet.org.uk). This will enable us to ensure that all communication reaches home efficiently.

## Topics

Our topics for this term are lots of fun! They are:

- Once upon a time
- Space
- Dinosaurs
- Farms & Food
- Africa/ Handa's Surprise
- Minibeasts
- Summer



If you have any books or resources you think we might find useful please do send them in, (named). Thank you.



## English

The support that you give your child with reading is invaluable. Please could you ensure that you write in their reading diary every time you read with them? Remember that asking your child to point to the words as they read really helps.

We continue to have daily phonics sessions; please use the phonics book to help your child embed the **sounds and tricky words** for the phase that they are on.



## Maths

We are continuing to work on number bonds to 5 and 10, number formation as well as recognising and writing larger, two digit numbers.

We will be widening the children's mathematical language through practical problems, activities & games as well as learning how to double and halve numbers and when to use this in practical situations.

## Numbots

Our online maths scheme, Numbots, is a wonderful way for your child to have fun with maths as well as improve their confidence with numbers. Your child's login details are stapled in their reading diary.



Our Space weeks are great fun and we will be re-enacting scenes from the book 'Whatever Next?' by Jill Murphy on **Thursday 9th May**. On that day, your child will need to bring in:

- A cardboard box that is large enough for them to sit in **but** small enough for them to be able to carry / drag!
- A small bag of junk that they can use to create their rocket; yoghurt pots, small boxes, bottle tops and the like
- Wellington boots
- A colander
- A small teddy bear or other small soft toy/blanket.
- A roll of Sellotape/masking tape.

**Please make sure all items are named.** We will spend time during Thursday morning planning and designing our space rockets, so please **don't** decorate them at home.



Now the summer term is here it is even more important that the children have a named water bottle in school each day.

The weather can be unpredictable at this time of year, so we ask that unless the weather is glorious, you send your child to school with a coat each day. When the weather is warm it is advisable for them to wear sun cream. We are unable to re-apply cream at school so we suggest that you use the long-lasting type. Please also send your child with a sun hat.

On this note, all items brought into school should be clearly named.

## Required Items

Children should have a pair of named plimsolls or trainers in school at all times.

Thanks to those of you who have already sent in a glue stick. Due to the way in which we work, these will be for communal use and as such do not need to be named. We will let you know when stocks are running low.

We have a **free** Drama4All workshop at school on **Wednesday 17th April** linked to our Once Upon a Time topic.

Our school trip is **Thursday 25th April** and we are going to **Windsor Castle!** The children will be kept in small groups throughout the day and it is probably the safest place in England to visit!

Life long ago and baby dinosaur workshop : Monday 20th May 2024

We will have a **Wow day** in **July**; more details to follow nearer the time!



## Fruit/vegetable snacks

We provide all children in Year R with a fruit/vegetable snack daily, which they eat at morning playtime. If you wish to send in an additional snack for afternoon play-time you may. Please note it must be fruit or vegetable.