



WEEKLY PARENT NEWSLETTER – Reception Cubs 23 June 2014

Important Dates and Messages

A big thank you for all your support this year. We have all had a wonderful year in Reception and the staff have been really grateful for the way you have supported them with reading, trips, parties etc.

A big thank you too for your wonderful gift to us on Sunday, we had a delicious lunch and great fun chatting about our year with your children!

- End of year party on Tues pm. Please wear t shirt and shorts or summer dress to school - no school uniform today, so make it comfortable enough to wear all day!
- Thursday. This is the last day so please bring a toy or game to share with friends.
- Think about getting new uniform now to avoid queues next term!
- Please look at TAPESTRY with your child and make a comment if possible . Tapestry will be live over the summer, take the opportunity to share this with your family . We will be making a USB stick with your child's pages. Early leavers can have their pages as a PDF file. Enjoy!
- If you have any borrowed underpants from school please send them back in.
- On Wednesday you will be receiving your child's End of Year Report which will capture their learning progress and attainment this year. If you are unable to collect this on Wednesday, you will be able to pick it up from school through the summer or the start of the new school year. It is also possible to have an electronic version on request by contacting ec-li@bisspuxi.com . Please note that no reports will be issued before Wednesday.

Learning Theme of the week

Last week's big question was **"Why do we celebrate?"**

The children were really excited to think about celebrations. They became really involved in planning and celebrating Ping Pong and Bella bears wedding! They saw how people choose a special place, special clothes and special food to celebrate a wedding . The saw a variety of weddings from different countries and noted similarities and differences. Of course we all wish Miss Richardson good luck as she goes off this summer to have her REAL wedding!



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This week's big question is **"What fun can we have at the fair?"** Our room parents have done a great job organising our end of year party with the theme of "a fun fair" so we thought it would be a great idea to use this as our learning theme this week. We will review lots of the learning we have done through out the year.

- Literacy-making posters to advertise our fun fair . Writing comments and best wishes in class year books
- Understanding the world. -making pop corn and observing the changes that happen when it is heated.
- Numbers-playing games such as coconut shy or hook a duck
- Art and technology-using "funny" mirrors and the i pad to make silly pictures
- Fine motor skills-decorating and cutting out bunting
- Dance and music-creating a roller coaster dance

Phonics

All groups will be having fun with phonics!

Mandarin

This week the children will carry on talking about traditional Chinese story. We will introduce a story which is called " 西游记 (Journey to the west)". We will learn a new song which is called '唐僧骑马咚拉个咚 (tang seng qi ma dong la ge dong) Our big question is '谁在你的后面 (who is behind you?)' "

Vocabulary : monkey king 孙悟空(sun wu kong) 猪八戒 (zhu ba jie) 沙和尚 (monk sha) behind 后面 (hou mian)

Dutch

Aan de hand van de filmpjes van Buurman en Buurman gaan we nieuwe woorden leren omtrent gereedschappen.

Apps

Some parents have asked us for some apps that they can download ready for when they are travelling with their children over the Summer. We have made a list of some that will help your child continue practising their learning:

Phonics and Reading

Earlylearninghq.org.uk: Alien Adventure and Phonics Street

Twinkl Phonics- Phase 2-5

Pocket Phonics

Hairy letters

Childrens Books- project X- the power of reading

Rabbit's House- Oxford phonics world readers

Maths

Snakes and ladders

Hungry Fish

Montessorium Intro to maths

Monkey maths

Critter maths

Creative and Understanding their world

Doodle Buddy

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Pic Collage- use photos to make a collage
National Geographic Kids Alive
Duplo Lego

Have a wonderful summer !
Many thanks again.

The Reception Team