



WEEKLY PARENT INFORMATION NEWSLETTER – Pre-Nursery 6 October 2014

Messages

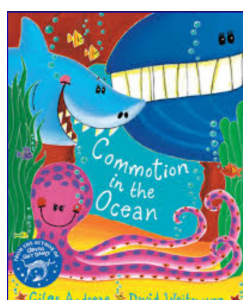
We hope everyone enjoyed their break, and look forward to hearing about the exciting things you have been doing during Golden Week.

Reminders:

- Now that we are experiencing some wetter weather, please ensure that your child has named wellies and a raincoat or an all-in-one suit to wear so that they can access the outdoor learning environment in all weather conditions.
- If your child experiences any vomiting or diarrhoea please note that they should stay at home for either 24 or 48 hours after the last incident, depending on severity. Please contact the school nurse: i-vanderslagmolen@bisspuxi.com for further information or refer to our website for guidance.
- School Shoes – all children are expected to wear formal black school shoes as part of their uniform. Sports shoes and coloured shoes are not to be worn. If your child has been coming to school in the wrong shoes, can you please ensure that on their return from the holiday that they have the correct footwear. Thanks for your support.
- Leaving Early Sign Out – if you are taking your child out of school before the end of the school day, it is essential that you sign out at the EY Cubs or Primary Reception Desks. This enables us to ensure registers are accurate and informs bus and ECA lists for each day. After signing out, you will be given a green card to give to the guards as you exit the school. If you do not have a green card, they will send you back to the Reception to sign out. Thanks for your cooperation with this important Health & Safety check.
- Parent-Teacher Conferences – Please take note of the dates for our term 1 PTC's - Tuesday 4 and Thursday 6 November. Information and appointment slips will be sent home after the break.

Our learning theme:

We will be introducing our new learning theme “Under the Sea”. We will read the story “Commotion in the Ocean” by Giles Andreae and David Wojtowycz. The story tells of a curious commotion, at the bottom of the ocean. Each page includes a fun rhyme about a creature that lives in and around the ocean.





Key vocabulary: animal, ocean, water, sea

Literacy:

- Children have some favourite stories, rhymes, poems or jingles.
- Children listen to and join in with stories and poems, one to one and also in small groups.

The story of Commotion in the Ocean provides a superb opportunity to introduce lots of animal related vocabulary. We will discuss the different animals in the story and practice saying their names.

Key vocabulary: whales, walruses, penguins, polar bears, stingrays, sharks, jellyfish, angelfish.

Mathematics: Numbers

- Uses some language of quantities, such as 'more' and 'a lot'.
- Knows that a group of things changes in quantity when something is added or taken away.
- Selects a small number of objects from a group when asked, for example, 'please give me one', 'please give me two'.
- Recites some number names in sequence.

We will sing the nursery rhyme "One two three four five, once I caught a fish alive", using our fingers to represent the numbers. We will be catching fish with fishing rods and counting how many we have.

Key Vocabulary: how many, one, two, three, four, five

Expressive art and design

Through the continuous provision children will have the opportunity to explore different techniques to create watery scenes.

Key Vocabulary: paint, collage, colour, mix, blue, green, red, yellow, purple, orange, black, white

Dutch

Kleine muis zoekt een nieuwe huis. Elke dag hebben we het boek gelezen en de kinderen vinden het steeds leuker omdat ze kunnen voorspellen naar welk hol muis gaat. We oefenen korte zinnen en klankzuivere uitspraak. Volgende week richten we ons om /sp/ en /st/.

Do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or queries.

The Pre-Nursery Team