



Year F NEWSLETTER

Summer Term 2020-21

Welcome to the Summer Term in Year F

During this term, we will be learning about different countries around the world and about animals from a farm.

1 - 'Globe Trotting'

Which would be the best country to live in?



For this theme, we have set up our pod up as an airport and 'flying' to different countries around the world. Our first stop will be in Bulgaria where we will learn about the cultures and traditions. We will then travel to Cyprus before making a stop in Kurdistan, Albania and South Africa before finally travelling back to England! Along the way, we will be looking at the local cuisine as well as learning about the key features of each country. We will be celebrating our trip with a dress up day (see date below).

2 - 'Farmyard Hullabaloo'

Which animal is the best for a farm?

To hook the children in to this theme, we begin with a visit from Millers Ark Mobile Farm. We will be talking about taking care of animals and looking into farm produce. We will also be planting herbs and taking care of the plants that we are growing in our Foundation Area. Our farm shop role-play and 'small world' play will help us learn about life as a farmer and the animals that live on a farm.

During this term we will be working on the following learning objectives in English and Maths:

In reading we will be learning to:

- read and understand simple sentences
- use phonic knowledge to decode regular words and read them aloud accurately
- read some common irregular words
- demonstrate understanding when talking with others about what we have read

In writing we will be learning to:

- use phonic knowledge to write words in ways which match spoken sounds
- write some irregular common words
- write simple sentences which can be read by ourselves and others
- spell some words correctly and others that are phonetically plausible

In maths we will be learning to:

- count reliably with numbers from 1 to 20, place them in order and say which number is one more or one less than a given number
- use quantities and objects to add and subtract two single-digit numbers and count on or back to find the answer
- solve problems, including some using doubling, halving and sharing

Helping Your Child at Home

Please continue to read with or to your child, every day if possible. This will help them to understand story structure, be able to answer questions about the book and talk about what they have read. If you can, please encourage your child to read the Walter's Words (Red words) and spell them using a LASACAWAC (Look, Say, Cover, Write, Check) method.

Solving problems using a variety of methods, including doubling, halving and sharing, will help your child to have a more solid understanding of these concepts. These can be as simple as 'We have 6 sweets to share equally between 3 people. How many will they each have?'

Dates of Special Events in Year F

Friday 28th May – Dress up in clothes from or in the style of a different country. You can also wear the colours of a flag that you like.

See Year F windows for dress up ideas

Monday 7th June – Noah's Ark Mobile Farm comes to Year F

Year F Message Board

Our PE day is Thursday which and will be based outside during the Summer term.

Yoga on Wednesdays (Girls to bring or wear shorts for under dresses/skirts please).

In sunny weather, please apply sun cream before school. Please also ensure that we have a named water bottle for your child in school at all times.

On COAT days (Mondays), please do not send your children in shorts, because we will be using the wooded area where there are nettles, brambles and the possibility of ticks.

Remember to return guided reading books every Wednesday.

Many thanks for your continued support, Year F Team