

Acorn Class Newsletter

Another busy but brilliant term for Acorn class!

The children have been trying so hard to write independently and have loved being able to get out and explore in the garden now the weather has improved. The highlight of this term has got to be the school trip to Curly's Farm. It was lovely to see the children caring for the different animals and asking such relevant questions to broaden their knowledge.

Curriculum
information



Please do add things to your child's portfolio as the children really enjoy sharing this with the staff and their friends in school.



Our topic in term 6 is
'Under the Sea and Pirates'



In **Understanding of the World**, the children will begin to learn about the sea and what lies beneath it; including plants and sea creatures. Looking at coastal areas, near and far, they will know what a rock pool is and what they will find living inside. The children will learn about the seaside past and present. We will also explore the season of summer and reflect on our year in Acorn Class.

In **Literacy**, we will continue to read a range of books linked to our theme that will provide a stimulus for our writing. Independent writing and correct letter formation will be our focus for this term.

In **maths** this term, we will be continuing to master a secure understanding of numbers to 20 and beyond. We will continue to consolidate our addition skills through number bonds and adding two or more whole numbers together to make a total. Also practising subtraction. We will encourage the children to identify patterns in numbers when learning about doubles, grouping, halving and odd and even numbers. Please do log in and help the children to practise on NUMBOTS. The login was given out at parents evening. Another good online game is 'Hit the button' - See link below.

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button>



In **Expressive, Art and Design**, the children will begin to plan, complete and evaluate their own creations using a range of different textured materials. They will look at the work of the artist 'Alfred Wallis' and attempt to create their own version of his work 'The Blue Ship'

In **RE**, we will continue to explore the question 'Why are stories special to people?' We will learn about special stories in different religions.



Donations

We continue to develop our outside area

so if you are able to source

cable reels, **pallets**, logs,

wood, tyres or piping then

please do get in touch!

Clothing

Please ensure all clothing is labelled with your child's name; especially jumpers and cardigans. As the weather warms up they will be taking them off more. Sun hats will now be needed on some days and please ensure your child has a water bottle in school. Sun cream can be applied before the children come to school.

NEWINGTON
PRIMARY
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CHARITY WEEK
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Lifeboats

Each year Newington school holds a charity week. 3 charities are chosen and through a secret ballot in class the children get the opportunity to vote for the charity they would like to support and raise money for as a class. Acorn class have voted to support the 'Royal National Lifeboat institution' (RNLI)

Acorn class will be completing a **scooter challenge**...100 laps around the playground; completing obstacle challenges along the way! We hope you will be able to support us in some way. Date to be confirmed.

P.E is on Tuesday

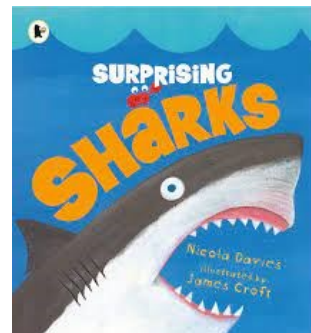
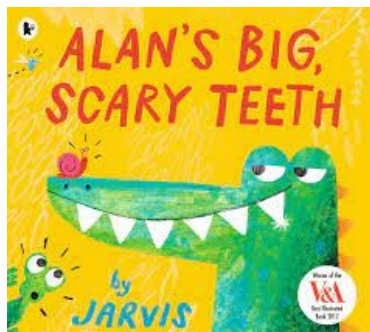
Please could you ensure your child comes to school in appropriate P.E kit on this day. This should include white t-shirt, dark shorts, leggings or jogging bottoms.

Please remove earrings on these days.

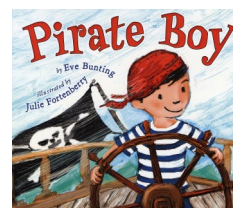
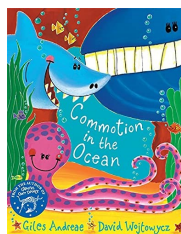
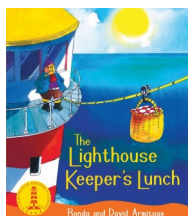
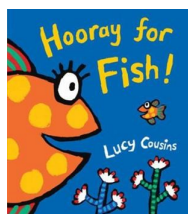
We will begin to practise for sports day in our PE sessions.

Reception Knowledge Organiser

We will begin next term talking about oral health because we have had lots of discussions lately about teeth as some of the children have lost their first tooth, which of course is very exciting! We will be learning about different things we can do at home to keep our teeth strong and healthy. The children will know about foods and drinks that keep our teeth healthy and what happens when you go to the dentist. Together, we will practise cleaning our teeth!



In the following weeks, we are going to be learning about pirates and what lies under the ocean. We are looking forward to reading new stories, such as;



Also lots of
Non-fiction
books.

Key Vocabulary this term

Communication and Language is a priority area in Early Years and we encourage you to take every opportunity to engage in dialogue with your child.

Our Key topic words are:

Ocean

Sea

Marine

Rock pool

Creatures

Habitat

Creature names

Pirates



Ideas for home learning this term:

Go on a visit to the beach with your family. Paddle in the sea and search for rock pools. The local beaches at Sheerness and Leysdown have lots of rock pools to explore when the tide goes out. Don't forget to share on DOJO!

Draw a picture and write a sentence or two to tell us about your visit to the beach or a time you have been on holiday.

Can you create a boat/submarine from construction or junk modelling?

Create a pirate patch and hat. What about a hook?

Play Bingo using numbers 11-20

Log on to Numbots to practise number bonds, addition and subtraction.

