

## What we are learning this half term.

Welcome back. We hope you had a good break and we look forward to hearing the children's news from their 2 weeks off. Our topic for this half term is called "Sandy Toes And The Sun On My Nose". We will be exploring the seaside, looking at creatures that live in the sea and tasting some special seaside treats.

We will be looking at non-fiction books about the seaside and sea creatures and we will be reading some lovely seaside themed stories including "Billy's Bucket", "Sally and the Limpet" and "Sharing A Shell". The children will have plenty of opportunities to mark make by writing labels for our ice cream van and they will continue to practise writing their names.

We will be developing our use of numbers by solving problems and representing numbers by making marks. We will continue to develop our counting skill and number recognition and we will begin to use the vocabulary of "more" and "less" when looking at numbers. There will be a chance to explore shape and space through block play.

## How you can help at home.

Share stories together and talk about alternative endings. Ask your child to retell a familiar story to you. Encourage children to look for signs and logos when you are out together.

Do lots of counting! This can be asking your child to count out a given number of items or counting a group of objects when playing e.g. How many spoons do we need? How many cups are on the table?

Encourage your child to help with simple self-care activities e.g. putting their own coat on, putting their shoes on and fastening them, wiping their nose with a tissue and using the toilet independently.

Play games together that encourage turn taking e.g. snap, rolling a ball together.

## Reminders

- Nursery session times are 8.40am – 11.40am and 12.25pm – 3.25pm.
- Please make sure **all** items of clothing are clearly labelled with your child's name.
- Please bring a spare set of clothes in for your child for any little emergencies!
- Please complete the 'You're a Star' slip below if your child does anything amazing or new at home. We will share it with the rest of the class!
- Now the weather is warmer, please apply sun cream to your child before they come to Nursery and bring a sunhat.



## You're a Star!



Name

Achievement

Signature