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Lions and Tigers Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back, I hope you had a lovely Easter, enjoying the glorious sun as it broke through the clouds. It is so exciting to think that we are already in the Summer Term and it gives me a great sense of pride to think how much all the Lions and Tigers have grown over the last eight months.

With only 3 months left there will be some exciting changes happening in the children's timetable as we prepare them for their transition into KS1. Activities such as joining in the whole school daily worship and fostering their independence through small changes like choosing their own lunches each day. There will be plenty of news and updates on how we will be supporting your children in the transition over the next couple of months, however for now let's enjoy their new topic learning in Lions and Tigers.



VROOM!

Over the next Half Term the children will be exploring the wonder of transport. We will begin with thinking about how transport is used to support us every day, including how food and other important resources are available worldwide and the vehicles used by our emergency services. Following on from this, the children will revisit their previous learning on different places they may have been on holiday, thinking about how they got there. 'The Mr Gumpy' stories by John Burningham will be supporting our learning throughout this topic. Finally the children will be thinking about their own vehicles and those that are in their family.

Lions and Tigers BIG Build!

For the first time we would like to invite you into the classroom to join in an activity with your child. This is an exciting time for us, as a school we are really keen to involve you with your child's learning and we would like you to help them take part in our BIG Build.

On **Wednesday 24th May**, it would be great if 1 parent/grandparent/carer/grown-up, could come in at **9:30am for approx an hour and a half**, to help their child build their own vehicle. We appreciate this date may not be convenient with everyone and we can reassure you that if you are unable to make it one of the Foundation Team will support your child to ensure that everyone can take part.



Prior to the morning, the children will be looking at properties of different shapes and they will be planning their model, however whilst we will have some 'reuse' materials available, it would be great if you could collect items your child might need. We hope that you will support us with this activity as we feel it will be a great opportunity for you to engage in your child's school experiences. We look forward to seeing you on the 24th May.

Forest Schools

As a reminder these will revert back to fortnightly experiences on the following Tuesdays;

Lions	Tigers
<i>No sessions wc 24th April</i>	
<i>9th May</i>	<i>2nd May</i>
<i>23rd May</i>	<i>16th May</i>
<i>13th Jun</i>	<i>6th Jun</i>
<i>27th Jun</i>	<i>20th Jun</i>

As the weather gets warmer, there is a higher risk of ticks, therefore please ensure your child is wearing long sleeves and trousers on the day they are due to go. If you require any further information on ticks please ask.

Snacks

Continuing the theme of warmer weather, please can you ensure your child has a named water bottle in school daily. We encourage them to drink frequently and will often refill the bottles during the day, so do not be alarmed if they come back still containing water, we are ensuring they drink plenty. As a reminder we provide a fruit snack for the children each morning, if you would like to provide your own please can you support us by ensuring it is a healthy one.



Uniform

Still thinking of the possibility Mr Sun may come and visit us, please make sure all pieces of clothing brought to school are named, so that as the children take them off, because they are hot, we can ensure they are returned to their respective owners.

Here's hoping for a warm and sunny half term, as always if you have any questions please ask myself or Mr de Lancy Green on the door each morning or afternoon.

Thank you for your continued support.

Aidan Richards
Foundation Stage Leader.