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Foundation Newsletter - June 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

It is hard to believe, but here we are, your child's final few weeks in Lions and Tigers!

Looking back on the children's journey since joining us back in September gives me an enormous sense of pride. How much they have developed and grown, physically, socially, emotionally and academically, it is amazing to reflect on. But it's not over yet, our Summer Term is very busy, we have lots of exciting experiences ahead, whilst preparing them for the move on to Year 1.



Our final topic of the year will be 'All at Sea', we will be thinking about different jobs at sea, exploring water related science, and looking at the wildlife that lives within it. We will lead into the summer holidays thinking about the beach and staying safe at the seaside and in the sea. We will continue to expose the children to a rich variety of literature by authors, including; Julia Donaldson, Jonny

Duddle and Marcus Pfister. Alongside all of this we will continue to support the children in preparing for their transition to Year 1, by providing them with plenty of opportunities to encounter the staff, children and classrooms which they may have from September. We look forward to sharing this learning with you at the **Exit Point on Friday 14th July at 2:30pm.**

Sports Day

We would love to invite you to our annual Infants Sports morning on **Thursday 15th June at 9:15am** so the children can show off all their sporting skills. There will be activity stations that you can walk around and watch your child participate in, then there will be some running races at the end of the morning. The heats for these races will be run during PE lessons and the finalists from these running on the day. In the event of bad weather our back-up date is the 22nd June.



Transition to Year 1 Meeting for Parents/Carers

We understand that it can be an unsettling time moving into Year 1 so we do spend a considerable amount of time preparing the children before the Summer break. We would like to invite you to a meeting on **Tuesday 4th July at 5:30pm**, where we can outline exactly what we are doing and how you can help over the summer.

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Although you won't know which class your child is going to be in until shortly after this meeting, the Year 1 teachers will be at the meeting so you can ask any questions. We will also be explaining what the end of Year report for your child will look like and what you can do to continue to support their learning. We look forward to seeing you at this meeting but if for any reason you can't attend or have a query please feel free to speak to us on the door in the mornings.

Tapestry

As we move the children through their transition into Year 1, we will stop the use of Tapestry on the 30th June to prepare the reports for the children's new teachers. Thank you for your support in using it this year, it has really helped us to get to know your children. We will be preparing hard copies of the children's journals for you by the end of the Summer Term.

As you can see the Summer is a busy and exciting time but we still have time for one more thing! All the Foundation team are very excited, that for the first time the children are going to put on a Summer Show for you. We feel this will be a perfect way to end their first year at 'big school'.

We hope you can join us on Thursday 13th July at 9:30am to celebrate this with the children.

Finally from all of us, thank you for your support throughout the year, and for helping to make your child's first year at school a happy and successful one.

Kind regards

Aidan Richards
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