

## Key Dates:

7th May—NSPCC Number Day

13th May—Prospective parent meeting with Head Teacher

31st May to 4th June Summer half term

28th June—Reception induction new September intake

1st July—Nursery induction new September intake

2nd July—World alternative games day

8th July—Annual reports home to parents today

14th July—Parent consultations/discuss report concerns

16th July—End of Year family event—details to follow



## Spring Meadow Infant and Nursery School

Thank you to all of our parents and carers who engaged in the online consultations with the teachers this week. I was fortunate to hear a number of these as I travelled around the school on both afternoons. The level of engagement from parents was very high with very important and pertinent questions being asked. Teachers emphasised how we are all working to enable the children to settle back into the routines of school life, but at the same time enable them to know more things about the areas of the curriculum we must study.

Learning must always be fun for it to stick. The curriculum has been developed to enable this to take place and we will work to ensure everyone is informed as much as possible on a weekly basis so you know what is taking place. This way you can truly support your child to improve and recall key facts that will help this in different areas of learning.

## Summer Term 2021—Covid Adapted Curriculum

The long term curriculum plan has been developed as follows

- Nursery and Reception—Early Years topics are the same
- Year 1 and Year 2— Key Stage 1 topics are the same

Sometimes we have mixed year group classes. So we have a curriculum that has a two year cycle so children always get to study new content.

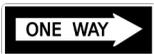
Challenges are set through the plans teacher produce on a termly and weekly basis.

Covid challenges means our summer curriculum has been adapted slightly. A curriculum newsletter will be sent out on Monday so you can see what your child will be learning up until the end of this term in July.



## Safety— Covid Restrictions Continue

Thank you for your co-operation with the extra measures in place to help keep everyone safe. Mrs Blewett is pleased to see everyone following the one way route and wearing their face masks when dropping off and collecting children.



**THANK YOU!**

## Curriculum and learning- Year 1

Year 1 are exploring the text of Jack and the Beanstalk in English and are curious about how the beanstalk grew so tall. They planted their own beans to try and find out what plants need to grow. We're keeping our fingers crossed for some giant beanstalks, but are not too keen on there being an actual giant at the top! The children have been designing alternative characters for there to be living at the top of the beanstalk instead.



## Year 1— Alternative Characters at the Top of the Beanstalk



## Homework Homework/Home learning Homework

Last week we informed you that we would resume sending home. All year groups are getting this prepared and you will be receiving this over the next few days.

### Types of home learning will be as follows:

- Reading the school phonics book or similar each day (READ)
- Practise spellings or sight word recognition (WRITING)
- Develop speedy responses to number challenges (MATHS)
- Reading/Researching information related to the topic (TOPIC)

The home work set is to enable your child to practise and in many ways 'overlearn'. Written work is not an expectation, we do this in school. All practised work will be followed up in class the following week. Home learning or home work is NOT compulsory. Many parents enjoy undertaking these tasks with their child. Others do not. Learning should be fun, if you cannot undertake this work, this is fine, but be assured that all practise is invaluable for your child and enables them to become more fluent and indeed more confident.

Please prioritise daily reading at all times. This is essential practise.