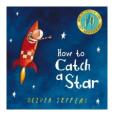
# Rye Community Primary School

"Dream, Believe, Achieve"

#### Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year and welcome back to school. I would like to thank you for your warm welcome back to work I am delighted to be back with the class and so pleased that Mrs Mewburn and Miss Lyndi did such a good job whilst I was unable to be here. By the end of this term the children will be halfway through their time here in Reception, we are sure that you will agree that time is flying by!

This term the children will be 'Ingenious Inventors' with a strong Science and Technology focus. The core text for our Talk For Writing is 'How to Catch a Star' by Oliver Jefferies which we will be looking at later in the term. To start our learning we have been enjoying 'The Storm Whale in Winter' by Benji Davies.





#### Reading

The children will be learning new diagraphs and trigraphs this term in phonics as well as many new tricky words. It is really important that the children practise the skills they are learning in school. In addition to Reading Eggs and their e-reading book, we will be sending home flashcards with the phonemes and words that each child needs to practise.

## How You Can Help

- Visit the Little Wandle website for support for parents https://www.littlewandlelettersandsounds.org.uk/resources/for-parents/
- Talk about new words and what they mean. You can use the vocabulary sheets we send home, storybooks or words heard in conversation or on TV.
- Encourage blending practise by sound talking to your child eg "okay it's now time for b-e-d" or "can you pass me the g-r-ee-n shirt."

## **Maths**

This term's maths will be covering

- Addition & Subtraction: Number bonds to 5, 1 more and 1 less, and numbers to 10.
- We will be exploring capacity, mass, length in measurement.

To join in with the school's Money Week we will be transforming our role play area into a supermarket. Please send in your empty household item packaging so that we can restock the shelves.

## How You Can Help

## Day to day

- Practise reading, writing numbers to 5, then 10 and 20.
- Can they recall 1 more or 1 less of any given number
- Solve addition and subtraction practically e.g... I have 2 glasses and 3 beakers on the table how many cups altogether? We have 4 knives but I need 5, so how many more do I need?
- Take your child to the shops, talk to them about the prices of items, let them help pay at the till (we would LOVE some photos of the children using money in the real world so please send in via dojo).



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PE will be on a Monday this term and the children will be doing dance.

To ensure Health and Safety all long hair must be tied up and jewellery removed, earrings will be taped.

All of the children in Reception go into our outdoor learning area every day. Please ensure that your children come to school with coats and jumpers. You may wish to send in additional winter clothing such as scarves, hats, gloves, wellies etc. Please ensure that these are CLEARLY LABELED.

Please continue to support your child's growing independence by practising putting on and doing up their own coat... you can imagine how long it can take to do 26 coats!

## We need your help!

- Please send in any form of recycling that we could use for junk modelling. We will be designing and making lots of our own inventions.
- Have you still got an old VHS, or cassette, maybe an old mobile (or even a landline) phone... we are going to be learning about how technology has changed through the years and would love to see and touch some real items from the past!

### **Forest School**

We are lucky to be continuing our Forest School sessions this term on a Thursday morning. Children should bring in to school, suitable warm clothing to get changed into at school. Don't forget get some extra socks – nobody wants soggy feet!

Many thanks for your continued support,

Mrs Isted