



Reception Learning Letter

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The summer term is always full of new opportunities and the next one comes on Wednesday 1st July, when Owls and Robins will spend the day in their new, Year 1, classes. We understand that this can be a worrying time for the children and have been spending time talking about how exciting Year 1 will be. We are also reminding them that they will be coming back to us on Thursday, as we are not ready to say goodbye just yet!

To celebrate our learning about the seaside, we will be having a 'beach day' on **Monday 13th July when Robins will spend the day with Owls at our Betchworth base**. We invite the children to come to school wearing their beach clothes, remembering water bottles, sun cream (before school) and sun hats. Children should be dropped off at, and picked up from, the Betchworth base. Those who usually have packed lunch on a Monday should bring a packed lunch with them. Breakfast club will be available for those children who normally attend at Brockham, from 8am - please remember to provide a packed breakfast, as there are no kitchen facilities at Betchworth. We look forward to celebrating the end of our year in Reception together. We will even have a visit from the ice cream man because we all enjoy an ice cream when we go to the seaside!

In the last two weeks we have...

- Shared the story of Miranda the Castaway
- Looked at paintings of the sea and created our own
- Make boats from modelling materials
- Practised doubling, subitising and number bonds to 10
- Revised phase 3 digraphs and trigraphs
- Talked about the changes that have happened to us since we were babies

In the next 2 weeks we will...

- Continue our learning focused around the seaside
- Compare going to the seaside now and in the past.
- Make simple maps for boats.
- Think about other changes that are happening to us, including our move to Year 1, using our Jigsaw PSHE programme.
- Continue to practise our phase 3 digraphs and tricky words Practise one more and one less, and continue to work on number bonds to 10

Reading Books

We will be collecting all reading books and diaries on Monday 6th July. Although no further books will be issued after this date, you can still access the Bug Club E-Books online using your existing login details.

Reminders

Please continue:

reading every day

practising the common exception words (in reading diaries)

practising the phase 3 digraphs and trigraphs to give children a confident start to Year 1

Betchworth only

Please may we ask if you are coming to Betchworth during the day you only ring the bell once at the front door; we will have heard the bell but the office staff may be on the phone or dealing with a child. They will open the door as soon as they are able. Thanks in advance.