

## **Topic**

We are looking at growing and changing this term in Reception. Starting with the change from 'Prince' to 'King', the children will have the chance to role play and learn about the upcoming coronation and our own liberation.

This will run alongside how we are growing and changing – we will soon be moving to a new year group and classroom etc.

# Growing and Changing



## **The Arts**

Art and craft continues to be freely available but there are often guided activities or focus tasks for the children to take part in as well. These crafts usually link to our topic and literacy work but may also have a connection to RE, PSHE or any other area of our curriculum.

## **PSHE & Relationship Education**

Our PSHE this term focuses on community and the way we can support and be a good part of our community in the way that God intended us to.

## **Computing**

This term for ICT we are focusing on our keyboard and mouse skills.

## **Maths**

In Maths this term, children are using word problems to describe number sentences involving adding two numbers together and counting on. We will also think more about patterns linked to number.

## **Literacy**

In Literacy we will be developing our story writing through the use of the book 'The Extraordinary Gardener'. We will also be using some rhyming books to recap on our previous learning.

## **Phonics and Reading**

Children continue to learn to blend the sounds in longer words daily in Phonics and are encouraged to always blend the sounds they read in books. We continue to teach guided reading sessions in small groups. The book we have concentrated on in Guided Reading will then come home each Friday with the intention that it is read three times by the child throughout the course of the following week.

Due to extra curricular activities this term we will not be visiting the school Library regularly but the children will still have story time there.

## **P.E.**

We will be focussing on the foundation to dance over the coming weeks. From 15<sup>th</sup> May children will receive swimming lessons at Vauvert School pool. See dojo message for more information. N.B. Children will NOT be able to take part in PE if they are wearing earrings. If they cannot remove their earrings themselves, they must be taped over at home (No earrings at all for swimming). PE will remain on Wednesdays and Swimming on Mondays.

### Dates for the diary:

**5<sup>th</sup> May** – Liberation/coronation celebration including red, white and blue dress up

**8<sup>th</sup> May** – Coronation Bank Holiday (no school)

**9<sup>th</sup> May** – Liberation Day (no school)

**15<sup>th</sup> May** – first swimming lesson

**29<sup>th</sup> May-2<sup>nd</sup> June** – Half term

**8<sup>th</sup> July** – PTFA Beach party

**10<sup>th</sup> July** – Sports Day (PM)

**14<sup>th</sup> July** – Infant open afternoon

**20<sup>th</sup> July** – Beach trip (no change to drop off or pick up)

**21<sup>st</sup> July** – End of term (12:45)

**Please check the parent newsletters, Dojo or the school website for more dates.**

### Don't forget...

All children have fruit and water for their mid-morning snack every day. Please ensure they have a named piece of fruit and a **NAMED** water bottle with them in the morning. They must be able to keep their fruit separate from their lunch box.

### Home-learning Information

- **Please sign and return your child's blue reading record** when they have completed a book. Please remember that it is as valuable to them to talk about the story, the characters and the words in the story as it is to simply read the text.
- Online Phonic reading books are always available to expand your child's range of reading. Please dojo your child's teacher if you need their log in sent home again.
- Look out for the weekly Phonics post on Clasdojo on Fridays to see what we have been learning each week and to have a practice at home.
- Numbots – Online number practice. Your child's login is in the front of their reading record.

### Things to remember:

<b>Monday</b>	Book bag and reading book Swimming lesson – swimming kit needed (from 15 <sup>th</sup> May)
<b>Tuesday</b>	Book bag and reading book
<b>Wednesday</b>	PE lesson - PE kit in a PE bag needed in school Book bag and reading book
<b>Thursday</b>	Book bag and reading book
<b>Friday</b>	Book bag and reading book Reading book changed

We have seen a lot of new uniform and lunchboxes etc in school with no names on them. Please make sure that anything that comes into school has your child's name on it. Thank you!

**Names!**



**Contacting us**  
**Check out what we're up to on Class Dojo.**

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or queries. Messages about illness or absence should be left with the school secretary to pass on. Non urgent messages can be sent via Dojo and we will endeavour to respond to those as quickly as possible.