Fisherton Early Years Centre

Newsletter April/May 2018

This sheet provides you with information about what your child will be learning this term, and shows next steps in their learning. We would encourage you to talk about this with your child, and where possible, assist them with learning at home.

***Our context for learning is Planting/Growing and Myself.***

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Maths & Numeracy

This term we will focus on measuring and the language of measure such as big, small, bigger, tall and long. The children will be using a variety of resources and materials to measure and talk about the size of a variety of objects around the nursery and outdoor.

We are also going to explore different ways to sort items and encourage the children to use their own criteria for sorting.

Literacy

We will continue to develop the children’s knowledge of rhymes through sending home our Nursery Rhyme book every 2 weeks. The children are starting to pick up some words from the rhymes and hopefully through repetition this will develop further.

Through looking at ourselves in a mirror we are trying to draw a recognisable person, which includes head, arms, legs, hair, eyes, nose, etc . This is one of the developmental milestones we will be working towards this term.

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Health and Well being

Toothbrushing will continue on a daily basis providing the children with the opportunity to be independent and look after their teeth. The children will continue to be encouraged to take part in the daily mile in the outdoors.

We will be looking at how to care for things in the environment and how we care for ourselves. We and who helps us to care for ourselves. The children have enjoyed participating in cosmic yoga on the whiteboard.

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Other Curricular areas

We have planted sunflower seeds and onions, we will learn to look after them by watering them daily and watch them grow. Miss xiu has been back to visit us and is teaching us some basic Mandarin, the children are pick certain words up really well and we will continue to develop this.

**Home Link Library**

This term the children will be learning about familiar nursery rhymes, we will be sending these home on a weekly basis to encourage the children to share their learning.

**Coffee & Chat**

Our next, and my last ,Coffee and Chat will be on Friday 18th May at 2.30pm at the school. This is a very informal affair so why not come and join us for a cuppa and a biscuit.

**Parent Council**

Our next Parent Council meeting is on **Friday 4th May at 9am in the school.** Everyone is welcome to attend. This is an excellent opportunity to find out what is happening in the school and share views and ideas with myself, other parents / carers and community members. Come and join us.

**STEM Week**

We are holding a STEM week in May. Each school day that week the children will learn skills in each of the disciplines of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math and relate these to the World of Work. If you are employed in any of these industries and would be willing to speak to our pupils about your job then please contact the school.

**Outdoor Learning**

****Hopefully the weather will be taking a turn for the better, however please ensure that children have suitable outdoor learning clothes in school. This term outdoor learning will not be on a particular day and will be incorporated into weekly curriculum planning. Please ensure your child has old clothes and shoes / wellies in school for outdoor learning. Thanks to the parent council, we now have waterproof trousers for each child, which we have already put to good use.

**Daily Mile**

Both the nursery and the school will continue to do the Daily Mile. We have travelled over 1600 miles to date but still have quite a way to go. We now need you to help us to get to China by June. If you and your child go a walk, please let an Early Years practitioner know and let them know approximate distance and we can add those miles to our total.

**Mandarin**

****This term we welcome back Ms Xu who will be teaching Mandarin in the nursery. She will be with us each Thursday morning until 24th May.

**Community**

The local community is very important to us at the school and it was lovely to see members of the community join us for our Easter Assembly. If you can think of any way that we can help in the community then please let us know.

**Nessie Bin**

Our Nessie Bin is situated in the bike shed at the front of the school. This bin can be used for recycling items of clothing, bags, belts and shoes. The items get weighed and the school is given money for this. If you are having a clear out then please put any appropriate items in our bin. Thank you.

**Fisherton Festival**

After the success of last year’s Fisherton Festival we have decided to do it all over again. It is planned to take place on Friday 22nd June in the school grounds. If you have any ideas or suggestions to help make it an even bigger success, the please Dojo Mrs Hamilton who is facilitated the Fundraising Committee.

**Race Night**

The Race Night which took place at Kennedy Hall on Saturday 28th April raised over £1300. Many dhanks for your continues support.

**RRSA – April Right of the Month**

**Article 3**

All adults should do what is best for you. When adults make decisions, they should think about

how their decisions will affect children.

**Diary Dates**

Friday 4th May Parent Council Meeting 9am at school

**Monday 7th May May Day Holiday**

Friday 18th May Coffee & Chat (2.30pm)

w/b 21st May STEM Week

**Friday 25th May Holiday**

**Monday 28th May Holiday**

**Tuesday 29th May**  **In-Service Day**

Friday 1st June Sports Day (weather dependent)

Tuesday 19th June Nursery – P.3 Summer Trip (TBC)

Tuesday 19th June Library Van

Friday 22nd June Fisherton Festival

Wednesday 27th June Prize-giving and Graduations

Friday 29th June **School Closes at 1.30pm**

**School reopens Monday 20th August**