

Welcome back! We hope that you have had a lovely Easter break.

The EYFS team are looking forward to another busy but exciting term at school. There have been a few new additions to our EYFS team, so here is a reminder of who's who....

EYFS team - Miss Ryder, Mrs Thompson, Mrs Jennings, Miss Lile, Miss Barsby, Mrs Tiffany and Mrs Mingay.

The School Day

The school day in EYFS starts at 8.45am and finishes at 3.15pm (or 2.45pm for some Nursery children). Please ensure that your child is on time every morning, as we start our learning straight away and it can be unsettling for children if they arrive late.

Due to the requirement to socially distance, Nursery parents will need to continue to drop off and pick up their children from the hall door. Keeping our children and staff safe continues to be our top priority, so we are unfortunately still unable to allow parents into the school building. If you need to deliver an urgent message, staff are available for a brief chat on the playground. We are aware that some parents would prefer to discuss things more privately or at more length; in these instances, staff are happy to chat over the phone or we can arrange a Zoom meeting - please contact the school office to arrange this.

Reading

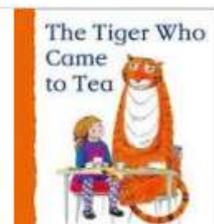
In Reception, we will continue to change books twice a week (allowing time for the books to be put into quarantine) on a **Monday** and a **Thursday**. Library books should be returned on a Monday and the children will choose a new one on a Thursday. Please only bring book bags to school on these days. Library books / reading books will only be renewed if the previous book has been returned to school. Nursery children will continue to bring home a school library book each week. We encourage the children to choose the books themselves to share with you at home. When reading the book, please also talk to the children about the story, characters and plot as well as looking at the illustrations.

Homework

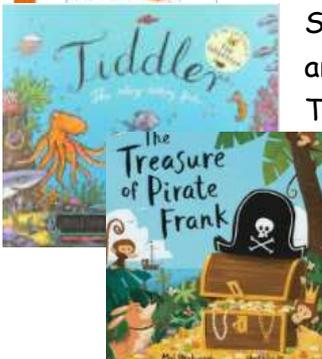
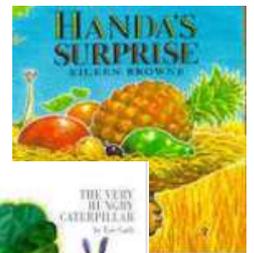
Reading Eggs: This is a fun, on-line resource that helps children to develop their phonics and reading skills. Please encourage your child to continue to access this weekly, as it supports their learning in school. **Classroom Secrets:** This is an on-line educational resource that offers a wide range of games and activities. Teachers set specific tasks to support the learning in school each week. Please encourage your child to continue to access this weekly.

If you require the login details to be resent, please ask a member of staff or contact the school office.

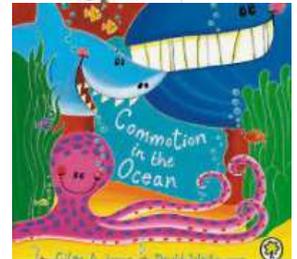
Curriculum



Summer 1 - we are focusing on some science topics: animals and their habitats and healthy eating. The books that we are using to support our learning are: The Tiger Who Came to Tea, Handa's Surprise and The Very Hungry Caterpillar.



Summer 2 - we will be covering some topics based around summer and the sea; History: Seaside Now & Then; Science: Summer; Geography: Map work, travel and transport. The books that we are using to support our learning are: Commotion in the Ocean, Tiddler and The Treasure of Pirate Frank.



Outdoor activities and PE

EYFS will continue to have Forest School every Friday morning - please ensure that your child is wearing suitable clothing for the weather.

As learning outside is an important part of the EYFS curriculum, we access our outside areas throughout the day/week, so please ensure that a waterproof coat and trousers (or an all-in-one) and a pair of wellies are left in school at all times.

Reception will continue to have a PE lesson on Monday afternoons. Please send your child to school wearing suitable clothes and footwear on this day. If the weather is nice, we will be outside for the lesson.

In case of accidents / spillages etc, it is also important that your child has a spare set of clothes (including socks and underwear) in school at all time.

Sun protection

As the weather gets warmer, please ensure that you apply sun screen before your child comes to school. You may also want to bring a named bottle of sun screen into school for reapplication. Sun hats are also recommended as we do spend a lot of time learning outside.

Marvellous Me

We love to send messages and photos home to keep you updated with the great things that your child does in school. Please make sure that you are signed up to Marvellous Me and have installed the app on your phone. The children really like to see that parents have received their Marvellous Me messages and it is also a useful way for staff to contact you with reminders and information about activities happening at school.

If you have any photos of activities / experiences from home, please share them with us using the email; fsu@moorside-pri.n-yorks.sch.uk.

Many thanks for your continued support.

The EYFS team