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### **Reception Newsletter – 19th July 2019**

It's hard to believe that by this time next week we will have reached the end of the children's first year in school. It seems like only yesterday we welcomed lots of new faces into the classroom, nervous yet excited about the challenges of the year ahead.

#### **Swap Over Morning**

This week the children spent a morning in Year One with their new teachers. They had a very exciting morning exploring their new classrooms and participating in a range of activities linked to their first Year One project entitled 'Down My Street'. The children returned to Reception full of enthusiasm and keen to share their experiences with their teachers.

#### **Language**

Following their visit to Year One, the children received letters from their new teachers introducing themselves and asking them some questions. The children were very keen to write back to describe themselves and to answer the questions that had been raised. They had to remember all of their writing targets in order to impress their new teacher with their wonderful writing skills. We were very impressed with their super writing!

#### **Maths**

Over the last couple of weeks our maths work has had a number focus. We have been practising forming our numerals correctly, solving addition and subtraction problems by counting on and back and calculating number doubles. Please continue to practise these skills at home.

#### **Spellings**

We have now completed our final assessments of the children's spellings. The results will be sent home to you so that you can continue to practise these over the summer holidays. All children have continued to make good progress over the course of the year and many children can now confidently and consistently record these words within the context of their sentences.

#### **Summer Holidays**

A number of parents have made enquiries regarding activities that they can do with children over the holidays to help prepare them for Year One. Please find some suggestions below.

We have had a wonderful year with the children and have thoroughly enjoyed watching them grow both socially and academically. We will miss them greatly and wish them lots of luck as they continue their learning journey.

Thank you for your continued support. We hope you all have a restful summer and we look forward to seeing the children in September, refreshed and ready for the exciting challenges of Year One!

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Literacy	Maths
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Keep a diary of your adventures over the summer holidays</li><li>• Write postcards from your holiday destinations</li><li>• Visit the library</li><li>• Practise your spellings and write them in sentences- make treasure hunts to find these words around the garden</li><li>• Share stories with your brothers and sisters</li><li>• Draw and label a picture of your new teacher</li><li>• Log in to Purple Mash and explore the writing tasks</li><li>• <a href="http://www.ictgames.com">www.ictgames.com</a></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Explore all of the ways you can make 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 (e.g. 3+2, 5+5)</li><li>• Practise your number doubles up to 10</li><li>• Make up some adding and subtracting stories and record the calculations</li><li>• Look for numbers in the environment and practise writing them correctly</li><li>• Count in 2's, 5's and 10's</li><li>• Make up some missing number sequences</li><li>• Look for 2d and 3d shapes around your house- play 'I spy a shape'</li><li>• Design a repeating pattern</li><li>• <a href="http://www.ictgames.com">www.ictgames.com</a></li></ul>