

Reception

Summer Term 5

2015-2016

**Reading**

Reading books will be changed weekly according to House teams. We will visit the Library on **Fridays** so please ensure your child brings their library books on Fridays.

**P.E.**

PE kits (plimsolls/trainers included please!) need to be in school every Monday and will be sent home on Fridays. Our P.E. day has now changed to **Tuesday**.

**Show and Tell**

Please encourage your child to bring in an item/photo/something special from home on their book change day to share with their friends during our daily **show and tell** sessions.

**Homework**

Please ensure your child's homework is completed and returned to school on **Wednesdays**.

**Important dates**

This term all Ashmole pupils will enjoy a workshop in school linked to their curriculum topic from the Freshwater Theatre Company. This workshop has been paid for by money raised at Ashmole Parent and Staff Association (PSA) events. Thank you to everyone who has supported and come along to PSA events and helped to raise the money to make this possible.

**Reception will be taking part in 'The Rainbow Fish' story workshop on Friday 29th April.**



This term our learning will be based around the theme of

**'Under the Sea'**

Children will learn about the following...

**Personal, Social and Emotional Development:** The children will continue to develop their confidence and self-esteem through sharing items from home during show and tell. During compliments sessions we will be talking about things we do and do not need help with.

**Physical Development:** The children will be learning about how to keep themselves safe in a range of different situations.

**Communication and Language:** The children will be developing their speaking and listening skills through a range of activities, including creating their own 'under the sea' narratives through puppet shows and role play experiences.

**Literacy:** The children will continue to develop their writing skills through a range of focused and independent activities. They will be writing in a range of different contexts including recounts and stories linked to our 'under the sea' theme.

**Mathematics:** The children will be using quantities and objects to add and subtract two numbers. They will be encouraged to count on and count back using a range of resources including a number line to find the answer. Some children will also begin to count in 2s, 5s and 10s.

**Understanding the World:** The children will be developing their knowledge of scientific concepts such as floating and sinking and carrying out science experiments. They will also be focusing on sea animals and talking about their habitats.

**Expressive Arts and Design:** In music lessons the children will be learning new songs and playing instruments to accompany them. They will be learning about rhythm and developing a sense of pulse.

**You can help your child to succeed by doing the following:**

- Reading with your child as often as you can – encouraging children to sound out words and talk about tricky words
- Discuss the meaning of any new words they hear or read
- Talk about stories as you read them, asking questions like 'What do you think will happen next?'
- Talk to your child about what they have learned at school today and what they enjoyed
- Practise counting at home to 20, on and back. Ask your child to tell you one more/less than numbers to 20

**Welcome back to a new term at Ashmole. Please feel free to speak to a member of the EYFS team if you have any questions about your child's learning and development this term.**

**Ms Williams and the Reception class team**