



# Curriculum Newsletter

## Reading, writing and maths

All the children have worked incredibly hard this year and the support from parents has been wonderful. It is essential to remember that learning is a partnership between home and school; the children cannot achieve their full potential without a strong bond between parents and teachers.

Below are some suggestions for you so you can help your child/ren over the summer holidays, whether it's on the beach abroad or in sunny England (!!)

### Reading

All reading books have now been collected in and will remain in school until September. To help develop your child's reading you could:

- Visit the library so children can choose a wide selection of books
- Listen to your child read for 10 minutes 3x a week. Use books from home or even newspapers!
- Ask children questions: What is the book about? Would you recommend it to a friend? Why?



### Writing

- Allow your child to keep a diary of events during the holidays.
- Create a dictionary of sophisticated vocabulary or 'wow words' (KS1) that children could start to use in their writing.
- Hold conversations/debates about news topics or even the story line in a film! Talking to children really helps to improve their writing.



## Maths

- Practise times tables
- Introduce children to foreign currency—how many Euro would you get for £1?
- Calculate time differences between the UK and Europe, America, Asia or Australia.
- Build sandcastles using different shapes, estimate the area/perimeter/volume of the different shapes used.
- Bake using grams and kilograms.



## **Thank you!**

Thank you so much to everyone who sponsored the children in the maths sponsored event in October 2015. Below is a picture of the resources we were able to buy with your donations. These resources will really help to enrich our maths curriculum.



## Looking ahead.....

Our Curriculum is continuously being evaluated. We have introduced lots of exciting topics over the past 2 years and we are continuously working to provide more. This year we celebrated the Queen at 90, Euro 2016, Den Building in KS1 and World Book Day to name just a few. Next year we will be working in close partnership with The Oxford Academy who will provide PE support, swimming will be on the curriculum for Years 3/4 and we will be providing a wider variety of after school clubs. Watch this space.....

Have a lovely summer and see you all in September!