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5th June 2025

Dear all,

Welcome to Summer Term 2. I hope you all had a lovely half term. The children have settled back into our routines brilliantly; I cannot believe this is their last term with us. We will be taking time to make sure the children's last few weeks in Reception are full of joy! We have lots of exciting things to look forward to this term, including our amazing class Pet Day (more information to follow soon).

This week we have started our new topic, 'Under the Sea'. The children have enjoyed exploring different sea creatures in the small world, travelling through the ocean in our submarine role play and learning how to draw crabs. The children have also enjoyed beginning to explore our new key text 'Clem and Crab'. We looked at different beach pictures and described them as a class. One of the images we investigated was of a beach covered in rubbish; the children were not impressed! They all agreed that the litter should be in the bin. As part of this learning, we discussed as a class the things we love about the beach. It was lovely to hear the children share their own experiences of the seaside; lots of them mentioned that ice cream was one of their favourite things.

In phonics this week we have continued our Level 4 learning. The children have been exploring strategies to help them decode polysyllabic words; we all enjoyed clapping the syllables in some very long words! We have also introduced the tricky words do, when, out and what. In maths this week we have been exploring addition and subtraction. The children particularly enjoyed exploring a subtraction number story that involved a monkey eating bananas.

Forest School: This half term Forest School will continue to take place on a Friday afternoon starting from tomorrow (6th June).

If there are any questions at all, please come and see us.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Mrs Bown

