## **Rolleston Kindergarten Newsletter**

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We hope you all had a good break and are looking forward to this half term and hopefully some sunshine. We welcome Florence who starts at Kindergarten this term.

## Term Dates Summer Term 2021:

Open Monday 19 April 2021 To Friday 28 May 2021

Open Monday 7 June 2021 To Friday 16 July 2021

We return to Kindergarten on 6 September 2021.

**September,** we are awaiting a decision from OFSTED and the planning department regarding the proposed changes for Kindergarten in September. Please return the forms for session requirements in September as soon as possible to ensure you receive the sessions you require.

**School**, we hope to be able to visit Rolleston School with the older children in readiness for September but await the decision of Mr Simcox after the 21<sup>st</sup> June. We will be helping the children prepare for school by talking about school life and practicing the skills such as taking off/putting on coats, socks and shoes etc. and generally becoming more independent. We will be liaising with schools and passing on relevant information.

If you have any concerns then please speak to a member of staff.



**Cold packs,** please can you ensure that children who stay for lunch have a cold pack in their lunch bag, this is a requirement from The Environmental Health Food Standards Agency and is essential as the weather gets warmer.

**Early Years Foundation Stage,** this is the curriculum produced by the DFE for early years settings. It has been revised and this new document becomes statutory in September 2021. The reforms are aimed at improving outcomes for children and strengthening their language development alongside reducing paperwork for practitioners enabling them to spend more time supporting children's learning. More information can be found at <a href="https://www.eyalliance.org.uk">www.eyalliance.org.uk</a> or <a href="https://www.gov.uk">www.gov.uk</a> Please speak to a member of staff if require more information.









**Topic,** this term our topic is 'summer' including staying safe in the sun. If you have any ideas that can support these topics please speak to a member of staff.

As the weather gets warmer we aim to be outside more and it is helpful to us if all bags, clothes etc. can be clearly named and if children could have sun hats and sun cream in their bags please.

**Numbers**, we will continue with numbers this term, it is number 6 this week. If you would like more information on this please speak to a member of staff. We will continue with the Letters and Sounds programme by singing, playing rhyming games, musical activities and other similar experiences, for more information visit <a href="https://www.letters-and-sounds.com">www.letters-and-sounds.com</a>

Summer Development Record, at the end of this term all children who are returning to Kindergarten in September will receive a summer development sheet. This sheet is for you to record any achievements your child makes over the summer and forms part of your contribution to their ongoing developmental record. It provides us with a starting point for discussions with the children about their summer holiday and we love to see photographs and drawings too of the places they have visited.



**Funding,** if you claim 30 hours funding or think you may be eligible you need to claim your code by and then you need to pass the code onto us.



**Pirates and Princesses** 



The last week of term will be 'Pirates and Princesses' week. The children can dress up and we will have activities related to the theme and party food.