

## Spring 1

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Horniman Museum trip – Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> January

PTA Disco – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2019

KSI/Rec Mums' Breakfast – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2019

Safer Internet Day – Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2019

ILD Parent Portal will be open from Monday 11<sup>th</sup> February to Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> February.

Half Term Holiday: 18<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2019.

Parents' Evenings: 4<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> March 2019

Trip to Greenwich Museum – Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March.

Welcome back to a new term. Thank you for the very generous cards and gifts you gave us at Christmas. We hope you all had a restful holiday and that the children are returning eager to learn. We are very pleased with the progress they have made so far, and look forward to a busy new term.

### NEW TOPIC

Our new topic for Spring 1 will be 'Commotion in the Ocean'. We will be using the topic as a vehicle for fact writing and storytelling. Both our trips this term to The Horniman and The Greenwich Maritime Museums link in nicely as we will be fact finding and going on a pirate adventure. We will be sending home a letter about the Greenwich trip towards the end of this half term.

As part of our People and Community learning, we will be learning about Chinese New Year.

### MATHS

Our Maths learning this term will focus on:

- Consolidating number recognition and order of numbers to 20, with a particular focus on 11-20
- Size, weight and capacity

# Reception Learning Letter

### PHONICS

During Spring 1 those children who are ready will be moving on to Phase 3 digraphs. Other children will focus on consolidating and applying their phase 2 sound knowledge through independent segmenting and blending.

You can continue to support your child through short, daily reading times and supporting your child to engage in fun, meaningful writing activities.

### GENERAL REMINDERS

#### Egg Box collection

We will be making treasure boxes this term and we would appreciate small egg boxes for this project.

#### Trip Payment and Volunteers

We are looking forward to our trip to the Horniman Museum next week, but we would like to remind you that outstanding payments can be made on Parent Pay.

We are still looking for adults to accompany us on this trip. Please speak to us if you are available to help.

#### Contacting the Reception Team

Parents are welcome to contact us by email, as this can be the most convenient method available. However, please note that it is school policy that email is only answered during school hours. If you put a letter into your child's green reading bag, please note that we only check these bags on their reading days and returned slips must be named.

#### Lost Property

Please check that all your child's clothing and kit is named, as it makes returning misplaced items so much easier. If you find any PE kit that doesn't belong to you, please return it and we will try and find the owner. Thank you.



The Reception Year Team