



INGLEBY MILL PRIMARY SCHOOL
RECEPTION'S HALF TERMLY NEWSLETTER
SPRING TERM 2

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome to our new half term. It was lovely to meet with you all to discuss your child's progress this week. We hope you enjoyed seeing your child's books. If you didn't manage to see your child's teacher this week, please don't hesitate to get in touch and make an appointment.

Our main topic for activities this term will be based around the theme of "Castles". We hope this will provide a wide variety of activities which will be exciting for the children including work on 3D shapes and construction activities. We would be very grateful for the following items to help us in this topic if you are able to donate any that you no longer require at home:

- *Figures such as knights, kings, queens, princesses etc.*
 - *Dressing up clothes for the above characters*
 - *Non-fiction books or posters*
 - *Large boxes (for children to make into castles)*

We will continue to work on letters, sounds, action words, spelling patterns and all the related reading and writing activities. Now we are more than half way through the year, we would be grateful if you could spend some time each week practising letter formation and handwriting with your child. Handwriting work is vital and the more confident your child is with the formation of letters the easier your child will find writing words and sentences. Thank you for your assistance.

Book Bag reminder: book bags go home each Tuesday and Friday and we would like them to be returned each Monday and Thursday respectively please.

The children will also be encouraged in all areas of their mathematical learning including number, addition and subtraction, shape, measures, money and many more! The theme will also bring in lots of opportunities for the children to problem solve.

There will be weekly themes which will help to lead all the learning across all the areas of the curriculum. These will also form the basis of our Show & Tell items for each Monday as set out below:

Monday 26th February: Castles (Pictures, books etc)

Monday 5th March: Princesses and Knights (figures, storybooks, pictures, etc)

Monday 12th March: Dragons (figures, storybooks, pictures, etc)

Monday 19th March: Free choice! (one small item to show and talk about)

Monday 26th March - Easter hat parade day (Show and Tell will be the Easter hats!)

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DB Primary is available for all our children to use at home if you wish. If you are having any difficulties please contact the school office for assistance.

There are some important dates for your diaries:

Thursday 1st March - World Book Day - children are invited to dress up as their favourite book character for the day.

Friday 23rd March - Banquet day. We would like to conclude this short topic with a fun day where the children can dress up and experience organising and preparing a medieval banquet. We wanted to give you as much time as possible to prepare an outfit!

Wednesday 28th March - Easter Hat Parade - please could your child create a hat to bring to school on the Wednesday morning and we will invite parents along towards the end of the day to watch our lovely parade! We hope the sun will shine. Further details to follow.

If you have any queries please see a member of staff.

Many thanks,
Reception Staff