



INGLEBY MILL PRIMARY SCHOOL
RECEPTION'S HALF TERMLY NEWSLETTER
SUMMER TERM 1

Dear Parent/Carer,

Welcome to our new half term. Thank you for your continued support last term. We hope you enjoyed the Easter hat parade and assembly.

Our new topic this term will be based around the theme of "Amazing Authors!" We hope this will provide a wide variety of activities which will encourage the children to write.

We are looking at the following authors and books:

Eric Carle - The Very Hungry Caterpillar, The Bad Tempered Ladybird

Mick Inkpen - The Blue Balloon, Kipper's Toybox

Ian Whybrow - Harry and the Bucketful of Dinosaurs

Claire Freedman - Aliens Love Underpants

Julia Donaldson - Superworm, The Snail and the Whale

We are going to try something new with Show and Tell... Instead of bringing something every week, on Monday 20th May we would like the children to bring a book, a picture or a little story they might have written about one of the stories we are looking at this half-term.

We will continue to work on letters, sounds, tricky words, spelling patterns and all the related reading and writing activities. Again, we are trying something new and have put the children into groups for phonics and are teaching phonics first thing every morning.

The children will also be encouraged in all areas of their mathematical learning including number, addition and subtraction, shape and measures. Our focus will be doubling and halving activities, number bonds to 10, and counting in 2's, 5's and 10's.

As we are moving into the final term of Reception, the children will be introduced gradually to longer tasks and will continue to be encouraged to increase their concentration spans ready for their move into Year One.

Some gentle reminders ...

Please ensure that your child has a **PE kit** in school:

Shorts

T-Shirt

Trainers or plimsolls

Hair tied back and no earrings

Please can we remind you to name every item in your child's PE kit, jumpers/cardigans and coats as it helps your child to look after their own belongings. It also helps us to return any lost items to the correct person.

What needs to be in school and when?

Book bags come home on Tuesdays and Fridays, therefore could we have book bags in on Mondays and Thursdays.

Reading books will come home in book bags on Tuesdays and Fridays. Please read the book with your child and write a comment in their reading record.

Purple homework books will come home on a Tuesday. As we are now asking children to do some writing as part of their homework, please return them on a Monday.

Little red sound books come home on a Friday. Please return them on a Monday.

As the days get warmer, could we please ask you to be aware that your child will need to have a sun hat/cap at school and have sun cream applied before coming to school. Please can you ensure that the children continue to wear sensible shoes so that they can stay safe in our outdoor environment.

Our playgrounds are often very windy so even on the warm days please could the children all have a coat with them "just in case!"

Many thanks,
Reception Staff