



## Early Years Newsletter

What a fantastic second term we have all had. It is hard to believe that we are already two thirds of the way through the school year!

We have all enjoyed learning about space this half term. Especially finding out about the different planets in our solar system. The children have produced some amazing writing, art, drama and number work.

### Our Topic

### People Who Help Us!

I am very excited about are next topic – People Who Help Us! Throughout our topic we will also be learning about all the people in our community that help us. We are in the process of organising special visits from the fire service, paramedics and police. If you know of any real life super heroes that would be willing to come into school please let me know as soon as possible!



### People Who Help Us

### Timetable

Below is a timetable of some of the lessons that will go on weekly. Hopefully it will help those conversations about their school day! This term we will be doing PE outside, please can you ensure that your child has trainers/plimsoles (no laces) in their PE kit.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Monitors	Games	Gymnastic	Library Music	Stay and Play
Whole School Mass	RE  Class Liturgy	RE  Class Assembly	French  Hymn Practice	Celebration assembly

Each day your child will be doing phonics, literacy, numeracy and art activities which will take place both inside and outside. We will also visit the playtrail most days!





## DRESS UP DAY

WE WILL BE HAVING A DRESS UP DAY BASED ON OUR NEW TOPIC 'PEOPLE WHO HELP US' ON **TUESDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> APRIL**. CHILDREN ARE INVITED TO DRESS UP AS SOMEBODY WHO HELPS US ON THIS DAY.



## LABELLING

Can we ask that, over the holidays, you check to make sure that all of your children's clothes are named. This included their PE kit, t-shirt, trousers, skirts, dresses, coats, cardigans, jumpers and shoes. Thank you!

## Family Learning

Our next family learning session will be focusing construction. We will be using many different materials to create and construct buildings and towns for our new topic. If you can collect your recyclables over for this session and send them in on the 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> May, it would be much appreciated.

We plan to have more family learning sessions with various focuses throughout the year. Below I have attached the dates for these. In the unlikely event that I need to change a date, I will give you as much notice as possible.



Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May 9.00 - 10.30am -- Construction  
*(Dads, Granddads and Uncles may particular enjoy this one.)*



Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July 9.15-10am -- Graduation Ceremony

## **I'm proud of my child because...**

I am sending home some more 'I'm so proud of my child because...' notelets for you to fill in as and when you would like to. We would like to add these to your child's learning journey. They could be for sounding out words at home, reading, counting, trying new foods, settling into school well... If you wish you can also send a photo or a piece of work to accompany the notelet.



Please do fill in an 'I'm Proud of my child because...' and send into class or email [jverhiest@st-swithuns.portsmouth.sch.uk](mailto:jverhiest@st-swithuns.portsmouth.sch.uk) (photos welcome) so we can celebrate these moments at school.

I'm proud of my child because...

Child's name: \_\_\_\_\_  
From \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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From \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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