BISHOP CORNISH PRE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER SUMMER TERM 2 2019

Dear Parents/carers,

Welcome back to the second half of our summer term. We are looking forward to lots of sunny days and outdoor adventures!! Of course many of our children will be moving on to school at the end of this term and we will be making the most of their last half term with us.

It is a really busy half term so please look at all the dates at the bottom of the letter as there is a lot for the children to be involved in. We will also keep posting the dates on tapestry.

We have a very exciting half term with our topic on 'Up in the air' as well as focussing on the transition to school for some of our children. We have already been busy making paper aeroplanes, trying on school uniform and are planning to turn the play house into an aeroplane.

Our work

This half term we will be doing a topic on 'Up in the Air' as well as thinking about going to big school.

The children will be doing lots of Up in the air related activities, making our own hot air balloons, learning about different creatures and birds, discovering different kinds of weather. The children will be doing lots of literacy and maths through these activities. We will also include lots of activities directed by the children using their interests and ideas. We will be having a box of school uniforms from all the schools to dress up in and a display all about moving to on to school.

Our sounds for this half term are

Week beginning 3rd June – recap letters Week beginning 10th June – z Week beginning 17th June – x and z Week beginning 24th June – qu and x Week beginning 1st July onwards – revisit all letters

Our maths focus for this half term are

Week beginning 3rd and 10th June – matching numerals to quantity Week beginning 17th and 24th June – one more and one less Week beginning 1st and 8th July – adding and review for rest of the half term

At home

To help us at home this half term please encourage your child to talk about what they are doing and bring in anything related to our topic. We would love to see any pictures of 'Up in the air' related activities your child has been doing or anything else you would like to share with us.

Please make sure that in this hot weather your child has an icepack in their lunchbox.

PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR CHILD HAS SUNCREAM ON AND A NAMED HAT WHEN THEY COME TO PRE SCHOOL. If your child is with us all day we will give them more suncream after lunchtime. We would also ask that your child wears sensible footwear at preschool as we are doing a range of activities which involve climbing, running etc.

Please can you also check your child's welly boots to ensure that they still fit and that they are clearly named.

WOW tree

Please continue to bring in leaves for our WOW tree as it is growing weekly and will be shedding its leaves at the end of the term to add to the children's learning journeys. The wow leaves are an opportunity for you to tell us about your child's achievements at home. We share these with all the children and celebrate them. We are really proud of all the children's achievements and it is great to have this input into their learning and development.

Transition into school

Over this term children will be having various visits to their new schools. We have also invited the teachers from all of the schools to come and visit the children in the setting as this helps with transitions. We will be sending the children's final reports to their school before they leave us so they will have a good idea of how your child is doing.

Learning Journeys

As we need to prepare your child's learning journey for the end of term we will be stopping adding comments on those children leaving us from the 8th July. This is in order that they can be downloaded and ready for you to keep forever.

Dates for your diary

SPORTS DAY – we will be taking part in the school sports day on the afternoon of Thursday 20th June. All children are invited to join us for this afternoon but you must stay if your child is not booked in and take them home after the race. We will bring them onto the playground for you to collect once the race is finished. Sports day starts at 1pm. You can bring your child to us by 12.45 then go and sit on the field with the other parents.

Trethorne trip – Tuesday 25th June – please be at preschool by 8.45am.

Key worker meeting – these will be held week beginning 8th July. Please look out for the signup sheets nearer the time. We will be sharing transition reports with you on tapestry during this week and these will be the reports that go to school with your child.

PRESCHOOL LEAVERS AFTERNOON – This will commence at 1.30pm on Tuesday 16th July. ALL children who are moving to school, and their parents are invited to come and we will be having a Teddy Bears picnic and some games. The children will also sing a special song. We will put up a food list nearer the time.

End of term - Wednesday 24th July

First day back to preschool in September – Thursday 5th September

We look forward to seeing you on the trip and please remember to come and speak to us if you have any concerns.

Many Thanks Mrs Soady, Mrs Stokesbury, Mrs Dark and Mrs Stanley-Savage