



BISHOP CORNISH PRESCHOOL



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Dear Parents





Welcome back and happy New Year!





What are we doing this half term?





This half term, after settling the children back in, we will be starting with a topic on under the sea which has been based upon the children's interests. We will be exploring what animals live under the sea and talking about any experiences the children have had at the beach. If you have any pictures of your children at the beach or visiting the aquarium please post them on Tapestry or bring them into preschool.





We will be playing with seaweed in our sensory tray, using shells to make patterns in play dough, making a submarine/ocean role play area, learning some songs about the sea, making sea creature crafts for our display and lots of other fun activities. Through this topic we will be developing the children's maths and literacy skills. This term each week will have a literacy or maths focus as well as daily phonics with Sprog. We are particularly focusing on sounds we can make with instruments and listening to sounds of the sea. For those children who are ready we will be working on letter sounds and simple words. Also through these topics we will be continuing our outdoor work and exploring the woods. We are working on music and movement in the music room. We are all very excited about these topics and will be developing all of the ideas that the children have.





Our letters of the week will be:





Week beginning 7th January - c





Week beginning 14th January - c and k



Week beginning 21st January - k and u



Week beginning 28th January - u and b

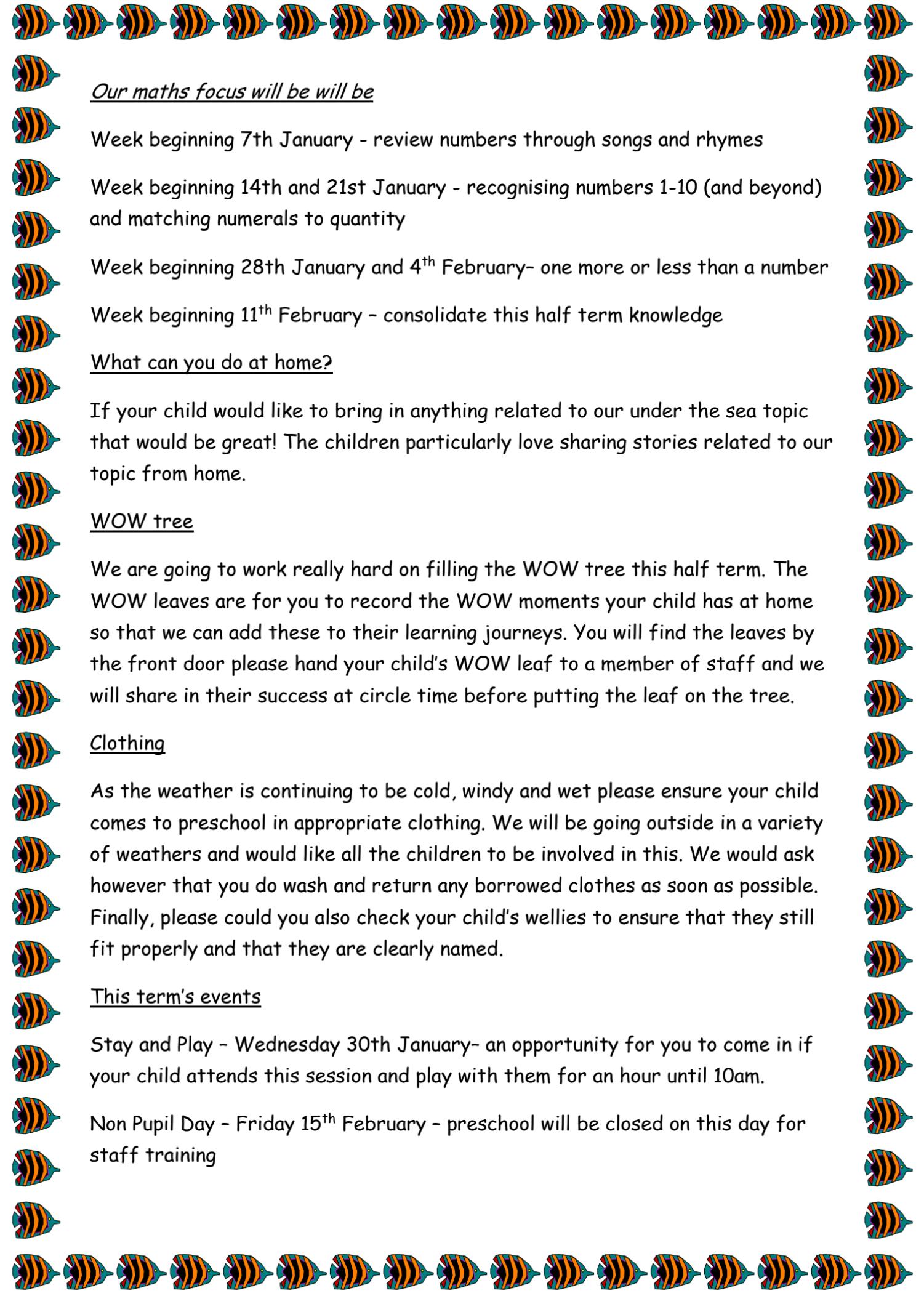


Week beginning 4th February - b and f



Week beginning 11th - f and e





Our maths focus will be will be

Week beginning 7th January - review numbers through songs and rhymes

Week beginning 14th and 21st January - recognising numbers 1-10 (and beyond) and matching numerals to quantity

Week beginning 28th January and 4th February- one more or less than a number

Week beginning 11th February - consolidate this half term knowledge

What can you do at home?

If your child would like to bring in anything related to our under the sea topic that would be great! The children particularly love sharing stories related to our topic from home.

WOW tree

We are going to work really hard on filling the WOW tree this half term. The WOW leaves are for you to record the WOW moments your child has at home so that we can add these to their learning journeys. You will find the leaves by the front door please hand your child's WOW leaf to a member of staff and we will share in their success at circle time before putting the leaf on the tree.

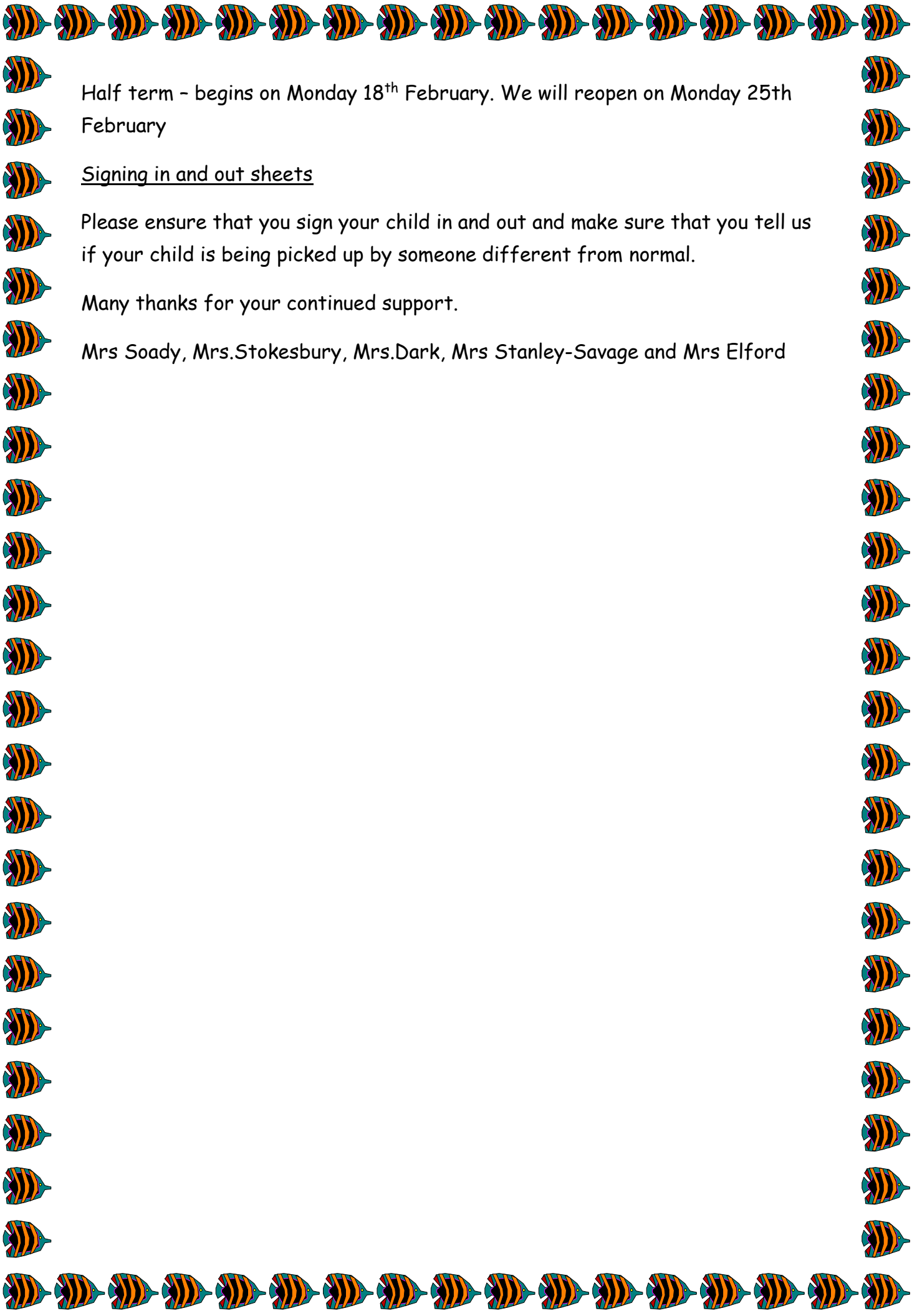
Clothing

As the weather is continuing to be cold, windy and wet please ensure your child comes to preschool in appropriate clothing. We will be going outside in a variety of weathers and would like all the children to be involved in this. We would ask however that you do wash and return any borrowed clothes as soon as possible. Finally, please could you also check your child's wellies to ensure that they still fit properly and that they are clearly named.

This term's events

Stay and Play - Wednesday 30th January- an opportunity for you to come in if your child attends this session and play with them for an hour until 10am.

Non Pupil Day - Friday 15th February - preschool will be closed on this day for staff training

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Half term - begins on Monday 18th February. We will reopen on Monday 25th February

Signing in and out sheets

Please ensure that you sign your child in and out and make sure that you tell us if your child is being picked up by someone different from normal.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Mrs Soady, Mrs.Stokesbury, Mrs.Dark, Mrs Stanley-Savage and Mrs Elford