

# UNITED SCHOOLS FEDERATION

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the Summer Term at Ipplepen in Year F. What glorious sunshine we have had to start our final term in Year F. I am so impressed with how we have all returned to school after the Easter break and would like to thank you all for your continued support during these challenging times.

Please find attached our learning overview for the first half term. We are going to be learning all about minibeasts, answering the question "are all minibeasts scary?" After the holidays, we will be learning all about people who can help us.

This term we will be having Miss Meaden (April) with us again as our Learning Support Assistant and sadly we will be saying goodbye to Miss Beacham who has finished her teaching placement with us. However, we have another lovely Learning Support Assistant joining us and she is called Miss Stephens.

This term we have some exciting plans with Saplings Pre-School (including an Early Years Sports Day) and I will be in touch with more details regarding this closer to the time.

I would like to take this opportunity to let you know some important class information

- Your child must bring their **book bag to school every day**, with their reading book and reading record inside the plastic wallet provided. We are going to be making reading bookmarks this term for the children to earn stickers every time they read 4 times at home. We will change your child's reading book once a week and they will progress through the book bands as and when they are ready.
- With the weather getting hotter, please make sure your child has sun cream on before they come to school. If they are bringing sun cream in their bag, please can you show them how to apply it so they can do so independently? A sun hat would also be great as we spend lots of time outside.
- PE is on a Monday and a Tuesday so PE kit will need to be worn to school on these days. Your child can bring joggers or shorts in their school bag in case they get too hot or cold during the day.
- With the weather becoming unpredictable, please ensure your child has a coat in school each day. We go out in our outside area rain or shine and coats are essential.
- Outdoor learning is on a Wednesday afternoon and the children must have outdoor clothes and wellies in school. I would recommend your child wears long sleeved shirts on this day and long trousers.
- Homework is given out every Friday in Reception, inside your child's book bag. Please complete this together and bring back to school by the following Tuesday.
- This term we are having a real push on independent writing and listening to the sounds inside words as we write. When your child comes home with homework, please encourage them to try and complete the writing aspects without help to begin with. We are really working on being 'good learners' and giving an activity a good try before asking a grown up for help.
- Before Easter, your child came home with a Purple Mash login. Please let me know if you have been able to access this as it is great for online games in our 'Mini Mash' classroom.

- We are not going to be doing Show and Tell in school so please do not bring in any toys from home. If your child has any 'WOW' moments they would love to share with their friends, please upload photos/videos to Tapestry and we will share their stories that way.

**If you have any questions do not hesitate to speak to me or send me a message on Tapestry.**

**Here's to an exciting and busy final term in Chestnut Class!**

**Miss Coughlin**