

Week 5 29th June -3rd July

Welcome to our home school communication! Each week you will get an overview of the class learning and will be set some home tasks too. Home school communication books should be returned to school on a **Wednesday**.

Please remember you have access to reading books on the Oxford Owl website. These are books that we have shared during our guided reading sessions.

Forest outdoor learning will be on Monday and PE will be on a Friday.

Please find below the summary of our week in school.	
In the Classroom...	This week our story has been Tropical Terry, which has inspired our learning around friendship. The children have enjoyed discussing what makes a good friend and the qualities we value in our friendships. This has linked to our writing, where the children have shared why they are friends with their special friends. In the water area, the children have been investigating whether different boats float or sink, making predictions and testing their ideas. In the sand tray, they have loved digging for buried treasure in our pirate-themed activity. In the creative area, the children have used straws to blow paint across the page to create beautiful under-the-sea pictures as well as creating fingerprint ocean animals. They have also been cutting and sticking colourful ice cream sundaes, developing their fine motor skills and scissor control.
Outside the classroom...	The children have had lots of fun outdoors this week, making and flying paper aeroplanes to see whose could travel the furthest or fly the highest. We also had a fantastic Sports Day, and we are incredibly proud of every child. They all tried their very best, showed resilience and perseverance during both the event and all of the practice sessions leading up to it, and demonstrated wonderful teamwork and encouragement towards one another. Well done, everyone!
Phonics	In Phonics, we have continued our Phase 5 learning. This week we have been learning the graphemes oi , oy , ir , ue and aw . The children have continued practising reading and spelling words containing these sounds, as well as writing simple sentences using their phonics knowledge with increasing confidence.
Maths	In Maths, we have revisited number bonds to 10, greater than and less than, and doubles. The children have been using practical resource to deepen their understanding and explain their mathematical thinking. They have become increasingly confident comparing numbers, recognising doubles and using number bonds to solve addition and subtraction problems. These important skills will continue to support their learning as they prepare for Year 1.
Home learning	Please use the letter sounds and harder to read and spell word packs we sent home to practise the sounds and reading and writing the words. Please continue to read your books. Thank you
Diary dates	Transition day = 8 th July – the children will spend the morning in Year 1 with Mrs Whitell, Miss Hughes and Mrs Franklin. Beach Day 9 th July – please come in non-uniform and bring in a towel and a change of clothes, we would love a £2 donation towards this, thank you

Please remember to visit the school website for the photos. [Reception class page](#)

Mrs Francis, Mrs Clarke & Mrs Hartwell