



Shalford Infant School
Ash Class Learning Letter
November 2015



Dear Parents,

Welcome back, we hope you all had a lovely half term and are looking forward to the second part of the term.

Kind regards,
 Miss Beswick and Miss Bickley.



Our new topic for this half term is:



The children have already discussed what they are interested in learning about relating to the topic, here are some of their suggestions that will be covered this term.

- Different types of Sharks and Whales.
- Different types of fish that live in the sea.
- Where sea creatures live.
- All about the sea and the waves.

Parents Evening

I am looking forward to meeting you all at parents evening on either the 18th or the 19th November.

The list of appointments will be going up on the Ash Class noticeboard on the morning of the 9th November. Please make a note of your given time, if you swap appointment times with another parent please make sure to let me know.

Literacy

In Literacy this term we will be exploring Under the Sea Poetry. If you have any Under the Sea poems you are welcome to bring them in so they can be shared with the class.

You may also bring in any Under the Sea books that can be shared with the children as they really enjoyed doing this in the first half term.



The role play area

Our role play area is currently being transformed to match our Under the Sea topic.



The children will be doing some art and crafts activities to make under the sea creatures to decorate the role play area and help make it their own. If you have any unwanted CDs please bring them in to school so we can use them to create fish!

PE

This term in PE we are doing:

Dance on Tuesday with Miss Beswick

Gymnastics on Thursday with Mrs Radley.



Home Learning

Every Friday we send home a maths learning activity as an opportunity for pupils to continue practicing the maths that we have been doing during the week at school. Please note it is not compulsory for pupils to do.

At the end of the term we will ask for the maths learning journals to come back in to school so pupils can select and share their favourite piece of work with their peers.

Please continue to read with you children at home as often as possible even if it is for just a few minutes each evening.

Possible activities you can do with your children:

- When you are out and about you can encourage your child to read the signs and shop names they see.
- You could encourage your child to count objects in their environment.

If your child does a short piece of writing they can bring it in to be shared with the rest of the class, particularly if it relates to our topic or school values.

Parent Volunteers

Thank you to all the parents who have already offered to help in Ash Class already.

If you are interested in helping in Ash class by reading with pupils, helping with the filing of work and putting up displays please come and see Miss Beswick.

All helpers who regularly come in need a DBS check. If you need one, you can complete a form in the School Office.



Useful Information

Please can you make sure that all of your child's school uniform and PE kits are clearly named as we have had some cardigans and jumpers unnamed and unclaimed that have ended up in lost property.

As we head into the colder winter months please make sure your child is coming into school with a coat every day.



Upcoming Values this term:

November: Thoughtfulness

December: Positivity.

