



Dear Parents,

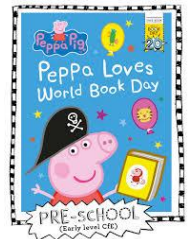
This week, the children have enjoyed making salt dough hearts and decorating their very own Valentines Day cards. Our 'stay and play' sessions for K2 parents have sadly now come to an end but we feel from the feedback we have received already that it has been a positive experience for parents, children and our setting. Don't forget if you would like to drop us a comment or suggestion, please fill out the comment sheet in your child's school bag and return to us.



We were visited by the Year 6 Digital Leaders on Tuesday. Lawrencina and Jessica came to Kindergarten to talk to the children about Online Safety and introduce them to Smartie the Penguin. They shared the story of Smartie the Penguin with the children, talked about using technology safely, and introduced some new vocabulary to the children.

On Friday, we reluctantly say a fond farewell to Miss Jennie Jarvis from our Kindergarten team. We would like to wish Miss Jennie every success for her new adventure and say thank you for all her commitment and hard work she has shown us since starting with us in September. We will miss you Miss Jennie and hope you will call back to visit us soon!

A huge thank you to Maddox and Madison Hammersley for donating a brand-new work bench with tools to the Kindergarten children. We are very excited to explore our new toy! I have also been liaising very closely with the Kindergarten P.T.A who have kindly donated two new cameras for the children to use around the classroom and two dolls pushchairs – As always, we greatly value your wonderful ideas and all of your continued support.



Looking ahead to next half term, we will be saying Hola! to Mrs Helene Bernard who will be visiting the children each Tuesday to introduce them to Spanish. We are looking forward to learning new words and sharing your fun activities and games Mrs Bernard!



During half term, please recap the sounds we have already learnt (m, a, s, d, t, i, n, p, g, o) with your child and look out for our shape of the week, Hexagon. As we head towards World Book Day we will be continuing with our rhyming stories that have repeated phrases and alliteration such as The Gingerbread Man and The Three Little Pigs.

Our school is very proud of the wonderful school uniform we have and we very much expect, even from the young age of Kindergarten that the children act as ambassadors by the way they present themselves. With that in mind, please endeavour to ensure that your child has the correct uniform and accessories. If you are unsure of school attire, please ask a member of staff or visit Mrs Johnstone who is available in the school library every Friday.

Everyone on the Kindergarten team would like to wish you all a happy half term!

A few notes, requests/reminders:

- Please check all P.E. clothes and plimsolls are the right size for your child.
- Please ensure sound sheets are labelled with your child's name.

Dates and Events

- **Monday 20th February 2017 – Return to school and After School Clubs continue.**
- **Thursday 2nd March 2017 – World Book Day (Letter to follow).**
- **Sunday 26th March 2017 – Mother's Day.**
- **Friday 31st March 2017 – Half Term commences.**
- **Children to return to school from Tuesday 25th April 2017.**

Kind regards,

Miss Jill and the Kindergarten team.