

Our Learning Newsletter: Autumn 2

 English 	 Maths 
In school we are learning: We are reading a book about the Titanic. Home learning opportunities: First of all, you could look at what floating and sinking means. You could test out different materials at home and see if they float or sink. Next, you could start to look at ships and boats to determine their size, colour and any other facts about them. Finally, you could come up with a story, read a story or write a story about a boat and where it may travel. BBC bitesize will have some videos on this too!	In school we are learning: We are learning how to solve simple problems. Home learning opportunities: The first idea you could try is to use snack foods (grapes or crackers) to share between toys/people and count how many each has. When handing out you can be counting too and see if they can recall this. On top of this you could then figure out who has more/less, you can put addition and subtraction into this as well. You might even be able say everyday problems, such as "If we have 3 cups of water and we already have 1, how many more do we need" and other things like this!
 PSHE 	 Computing 
In school we are learning: About money and finances, how to use money and how to keep it safe. Home learning opportunities: Explore what money looks like and feels like, can they start to identify its value? Can you go on a trip to the bank, or go to the shop and use cash or a card to pay for items?	In school we are learning: Multimedia skills / sensory play Home learning opportunities: Firstly, you can trial games on websites where you press a button and something makes a sound or an image appear. There is plenty on purple mash. Next you can take some photos of your favourite objects around the house and edit/make a slideshow of these. Finally, you might like to use a word document or a PowerPoint to make your own project about something interesting, whether this is about an animal, a person or something else.

 Life Skills 	 PE 
In school we are learning: In parallel with PSHE, we will be doing shopping. Home learning opportunities: Role play shops or restaurants at home, can you or your child 'pay' for items. Can you go on a trip to the shop, a restaurant, a café, or a barber? Can they help you pay?	In school we are learning: Target Games Home learning opportunities: Firstly, you could roll a ball towards each other or practise throwing it around the room. See if you can celebrate every time you roll it on target. Next, you can use items in your home to set up a small game of bowling (such as milk bottles or plastic cups) and see how many you can knock down. Finally, you can start a throwing competition, whether this is aimed at a large target, or lots of small targets and have a fun day of competition.

	Discovery Days 
In our discovery days we will be focussing on humanities, science, RE and creative subjects. Humanities - Saxon Southampton Home learning opportunities: First of all, looking at everyday materials such as wood, wool and clay will be a nice way to show what the Saxons had to use every day. You could take this a step further and build a small Saxon home from any of these objects, even if it is to see how difficult it must have been for them. You can throw in cardboard or twigs and just about any other natural resource to make it more realistic. After this, you can use their IT skills to look up facts about Saxon life including food, clothing and their homes to put into their word projects. BBC bitesize will have some videos on this too!	

Useful Websites/Apps

Some of these may require login information. Please speak to your class teacher or child's key worker for details.

<https://www.helpkidzlearn.com/>

YouTube Kids (app)

Busy things – there are lots of free games to play for all subjects.

Purple mash

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/znmmn39>

early learning adventures with Mrs T on Youtube.

<https://www.storyberries.com/>

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/>

Class Reminders:

We have PE on Monday mornings from now on. If you would like to send in a T shirt for your child to change into for PE please do so (this is not compulsory). We will send it home when it needs washing.

This year we have swimming on a Wednesday afternoon. We will try to get everyone in the pool as much as we can, so if you send your child in with swimming that would be great! We currently rotate 2 different groups every other week so your child should swim once every other week. If for some reason we don't swim, we will move both groups back a week to make sure it is fair.

Please remember to provide two snacks a day, one for the morning and one for the afternoon.