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Year R Newsletter

Half term is just around the corner, we are amazed at how well the children have settled in to school life in the last few weeks. They are becoming more independent and learning so much. They did a super job last week learning Phonics and beginning our group Maths sessions. We hope that everyone has a lovely rest over the week off. We have the Welcome Assembly to look forward to this week and hope to see you there on Wednesday at 2.15pm.

Maths- Talk about Measure and Pattern

In Maths, the children will be learning about comparing the size, mass and capacity of different objects. We will be using vocabulary such as bigger, smaller, heavier, lighter, full, empty. You can support with this at home by comparing the size of different objects around the house. During tidy up times get your child to try and find the heaviest/lightest/smallest object to put away. For repeating patterns see if the children notice any patterns in their environment and can they build patterns using everyday objects eg. fork, knife, fork, knife....

Weather

Now that the weather has changed please ensure that your child has a coat/raincoat in school every day. We like to get outside no matter what the weather is like! If you would like your child to keep wellies at school then you are welcome to send them in. Please make sure that everything is named including hats, scarves and gloves.

Baptism Photos

Next term in RE we are learning about baptism. If you have any photos of your child being baptised or taking part in some other welcoming/name ceremony please put some pictures on tapestry so we can share and discuss them in class.

PE

PE will start after half term on Friday 3rd November and must come to school in their PE kit. Details about the PE kit can be found here:

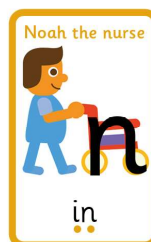
<https://www.st-anselms.kent.sch.uk/uniform/>

**Thank you for your continued support.
Have a lovely half term.**

Phonics

This week we are learning:

Chapter 2 Set 2



Phonics Shed

Prayer Bear

From this Friday, one child every week will take home 'prayer bear'. They will be given a bag with a toy bear, a candle and a prayer book. They can spend time praying with prayer bear and thinking of a prayer to put in our special prayer book. Please take care of prayer bear and make sure that he stays safely in your house and away from younger siblings! Prayer bear should be returned to school every Monday.

Changes of clothes

Occasionally children have accidents at school and need a change of clothes. If we send your child home with our spares then please do send them back to us once they have been washed. We are currently running very low on girls underwear. Also, if your child grows out of any part of their school uniform please consider donating it to us.

Africa day- Thursday 19th October

Children in Africa group (yellow group) have been invited to wear their own clothes to school on Thursday and will take part in a special celebration with the rest of their team.