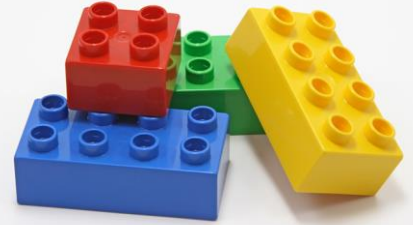
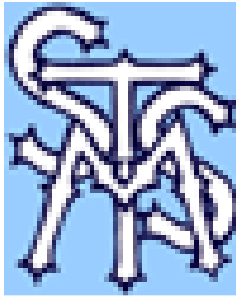


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Newsletter for FS Parents

Edition 5 Summer 1 (2015-16)



Educating and inspiring every child to fulfil their unique giftedness within a loving Catholic community.



Welcome back to the first half of the Summer term. We trust the children had a fantastic break over the Easter holiday and are looking forward to getting back into the swing of things!

PEEP

The Parents Early Education Partnership (PEEP) group supports parents/carers with children from birth to six to encourage learning and development.

The fun and interactive sessions are led by experienced early years practitioners and link directly to the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum. You are invited to come along to approximately twelve sessions with your child to participate in songs and rhymes, story time, play and discussion. The PEEP programme has shown to be a key factor in the enhancement of children's learning and development.

Please inform Mrs Percival if you wish to join the group.

Longdown Activity Farm

Tuesday 3rd May 2016



The children will have the opportunity to meet, handle and feed some of the animals. We believe this will be an invaluable experience which all the children will enjoy. The visit will link closely to the work the children are completing in class.

The cost and details will be confirmed in a separate letter.

Transition to Year 1

Can you believe that the children are two thirds of the way through their time in Reception? The smooth transition of children from Reception to Year 1 is really important for every child.

Over the coming months, teachers from Key Stage 1 will be visiting Foundation Stage to observe how children learn best.

The children will also be making regular visits to the Key Stage 1 classrooms. This will help them to get to know the staff and to become fully familiar with the learning environment.

The name of your child's class teacher will be confirmed at the end of the Summer term in their end of year report.



We have identified that the children are keen to do some cooking. We have arranged for the children to visit Pizza Express at Port Solent to make pizzas.

We know that the 'mini chefs' are really going to enjoy themselves!

Venus - Thursday 19th May 2016

Saturn - Thursday 9th June 2016

Details will be confirmed in a separate letter.



Pants and Socks

We are running low on children's socks and pants. This is because the socks and pants we have loaned to children, who have soiled/wet themselves, have not yet been returned to school. These are clearly marked STMS. If you have any school socks or pants at home, we would appreciate it if you would return them as soon as possible please.

If your child has any old socks or pants that you would like to donate we would be very grateful. Please hand them to any member of the team.



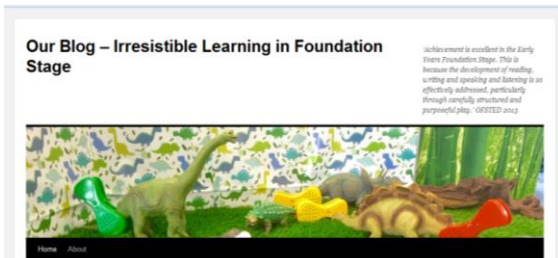
Want to know more about what happens in school?

Come along to 'Stay & Play' session.

**Every Tuesday and Thursday
between 8:45 – 9:00am**

Why not visit us online to discover what the children have been learning about on the EYFS blog?

<https://stmseyfs.wordpress.com/>



Religious Education



We will be continuing to explore the Easter story with the children.

Phonics

For those children who we feel are ready, we will be introducing the following sounds:-

UR, OW, OI, EAR, AIR, URE

We will also spend the Summer Term consolidating the sounds previously learnt.

***Do you listen to your child read every day?
Please don't let them fall behind.***

We want every child to feel confident about reading by the end of Year R. This is only possible if they receive regular support in school and at home.

It is important that we monitor how often your child is reading at home. For this reason, each time you listen to your child read, please record the date and title of the book inside their 'Home Reading Record'. (we will not change your child's book unless you have recorded that you have listened to them read at home)

Those children, who are heard read at least 3 times a week at home, will be entered into a prize draw at the end of term.

Teacher's Surgery

If you have any concerns or you would just like to have an informal chat about your child's progress, then please make an appointment with their teacher. Surgery day is Monday after school.

Coming in the next edition...

- EYFS Sports Day
- Summer Fair