**Sun cream and hats**

If possible please send into school a bottle of sun cream (labelled) for your child. On hot days we will supervise the children in applying their own sun cream. We also request that you send in a sun hat on sunny days, again labelled. Please no sunglasses, as these can be a hazard and easily broken when playing outside.

Thank you ☺

**Diary Dates**

Wednesday 4th July – Moving up day

Thursday 5th July – Reception School Trip to South Lake Zoo

Friday 16th June

This week we have been continuing our jungle theme; completing many different activities using the animals we know what from the jungle. We have enjoyed reading the book ‘The Jungle Run’, we looked at how the cub felt during the story and have written some amazing endings to the story using our ideas about what we thing happened to her. We also created some fantastic poster in our groups; ‘Lions Roar, Cub Crew, Team Ninja, Cool Cubs’, making up our own sentences to match the pictures that we had put into a sequence. We have particularly enjoyed doing lots of practical activities in Maths when we looked at measuring in different ways. We learnt about length, weight and height.

This week we have been learning…

* To use our phonic knowledge to decode words to read and write about the animals in the Jungle Run story.
* To measure using cubes and rules to see how long, tall or short something is and to use balancing scales to test and objects weight.
* To sketch animals that we know and have been learning about

Reading Books

Please continue to practise your child’s key ring of ‘tricky words’ and let us know when they are able to read all the words and we will add the next set. Once they are confident with these we will be able to send home more books with words.

**Please ensure you write in your child’s diary to let us know when they have read their books and how they have been getting on with them. Books should be read each night if possible to support your child’s confidence and fluency**

Phonics

This week children began working in their new phonics groups. The children have really benefitted from working in smaller groups which are targeting their needs. A particular area of need we have noticed is in ‘blending’ letters to read longer words. Please use the sheets sent home in previous weeks to practise this at home.

This week we have enjoyed…

* Making animal footprints on the paint easel and matching it to the animal it belongs to.
* Making different length snakes using different coloured paper and putting them in our jungle.
* Making our Father’s Day cards.
* Animal spotting

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\*Send observations of your child’s learning at home by replying to the 2Simple report you have already received.

\* You can also use ClassDojo to send quick messages.

**Homework**

The children will have until **Monday 16th July** to complete their homework challenges this half term.

Thank you for your support.

Snack

In order to be able to provide a daily snack, we ask for a donation of £1 per week, per child.

Thank you for your contributions.