**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**

Saturday 9th June – Summer Fair

Wednesday 4th July – Moving up day

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

Friday 8th June

This week we have been looking at the Jungle and completing lots of fun activities to help us learn. We particularly enjoyed playing in the role play area which had been turned into a Jungle. It even had a car inside! We went into the woods to read and match up some sentences and words which described all of the animals. We also made posters which described how an elephant, a lion and a crocodile had gone missing! The children showed amazing use of adjectives in all of their writing and great use of imagination. We are now so fantastic at describing, we hot seated some of the animals that we have been learning about; we took it in turns to be an animal on the hot seat and the other children and even the teachers had to try and guess by asking questions to determine who we could be. We enjoyed the Jungle theme so much this week that we are going to learn much more about it next week and have just as much fun.

This week we have been learning…

* To read sentences and match them up to the animals that they belong to from the ‘**Rumble in the Jungle’** story.
* To solve counting, place value problems and learning to count in 2’s 5’s and 10’s.
* About different animals that live in the Jungle and making fact files about them.
* Making friendship bracelets
* Thinking and learning about good and bad consequences

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…

* Exploring our new role play jungle.
* Making jungle animal jigsaws
* Jungle animal spotting
* Playing in the small world jungle area

Keep in touch

\*Follow us on twitter @stgregorys\_EYFS

\*You can also contact me directly by email if you have any concerns or questions:

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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.