

NEWLYN SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

We warmly welcome you and your little ones into our exciting and friendly Foundation setting. I am so pleased that the children are settling in so quickly and making themselves at home, already they are showing signs of feeling confident, happy and at ease with it all. I can tell already that we are going to have a lovely year of fun, laughter and super learning because they are such amazing little people.

Our topic this term is about nursery rhymes and fairy tales so we will be learning lots of stories, rhymes and songs.

As part of this learning we will be focussing hugely on language for communication. The children will be taught how to hold conversations, learn how to take turns with speaking and listening to enable every child to have a voice.

As part of my focus on communication and language the children will be introduced to a teddy called Thomas, they will each get to take him home for tea and a sleepover. A book to write about the adventures will be provided so that the children may share their experiences with the rest of the class to promote confidence and language development.

Your children will be able to bring library books home to share with you every night to encourage a love for stories and reading. You may change the books as often as you wish, please make comments about your child's thoughts and feelings about the books they share. We need you to sign the reading diary daily as we keep a record as to how often children read. Evidence shows that progress in reading is at its best when children are regularly supported at home.

We will begin our phonics programme shortly therefore your children will also bring home letter sounds to practice.

In Newlyn School we respect and appreciate parents as partners in our children's learning and this lovely class are ready to start their gentle journey, together we will create motivated, resilient, confident children who have a love for learning.

Just a little reminder, every child will need their own water bottle in school every day and a pair of wellington boots because we would like to use the garden area at all times as it is an equal part of our learning environment.

Foundation team and myself are looking forwards to spending time with your children, should you ever have any concerns or thoughts you need to share, my door is always open.

Kind Regards
Mrs Gribben

