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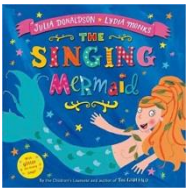
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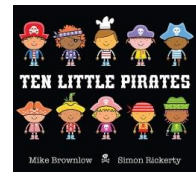
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Dear Parents and Carers



## Our topic in Reception is 'Are we nearly there yet?'



Our topic focuses on memories of holidays, countries around the world, how to stay healthy in the sunshine and exploring both fiction and non-fiction texts about the seaside. We will be designing boats using junk model and testing if they float or sink. We will also practice our story writing skills using 'Ten little pirates' and exploring a new holiday destination each week such as London, France and Spain. This final half term is all about preparing your child for Year 1 and celebrating all their hard work throughout the year in Reception.

**Literacy** – Getting the children ready for Year 1 we will continue to focus on sentence writing and using our phonic knowledge to read and decode texts. We are practicing using finger spaces, full stops and capital letters. We will continue to send home a Little Wandle reading book for your child to develop their fluency, expression and comprehension.

**Phonics** – We are continuing Phase 4 phonics which focuses on CVCC and CCVC and CCCVC words (C=consonant, V=vowel) such as pond, slip, scrub, sprain. We will also focus on words of more than one syllable and explore suffixes with words ending in ing/ed//er/est.

**Mathematics** – We will practice previously learned skills such as subitising, quick recall of number bonds to 5 and higher, addition and subtraction and forming numbers to 10. Our new learning will focus on doubling, sharing, grouping and understanding spatial reasoning. This looks at positional language and children explaining their thoughts.

**PE** – Our indoor PE day is a Monday afternoon with Fizzytotz. Our outdoor PE lesson is a Friday morning, practicing team games for sports day.

**Tapestry** – Towards the end of term I will send out a letter of instructions on how to download your child's Tapestry account as this will be closed before going to Year 1, but will remain open to continue to upload now for a few more weeks.

Thank you  
Mrs N Farrell  
EYFS Phase Leader

