



## Russet Class Newsletter 17.9.18



### Just a reminder...

To our Year R families to attend their Parent Consultation slot on Wednesday this week. Please wait in the corridor, rather than the school hall, where I will come to find you.



### Photographer Visits

We had the KM photographer visit last week to take a photo of our Year R cohort ready for publishing in a special Starting School edition later this term. This week, we will have a visit from a photographer who will be taking a selection of photos to be used on the school website. Please let us know if you do not want your child to appear on the school website. Thank you.



### PPA Arrangements

As some of you may know, teachers are allocated time out of the classroom for Planning, Preparation and Assessment time (PPA time). This currently takes place on a Thursday afternoon in Russet Class. Miss France leads the class for this session, and works with Ms Tomlinson and Miss Freed. However, Miss Freed will soon be leaving to have her baby!



### Reading Helpers

Just to let you know, we have a bank of reading helpers in Russet Class. The children may come home and talk about Mrs Ashworth, Mr Waterman and Mrs Elliott-Dunn, as these are our regular reading helpers. The children really enjoy having this special time with an adult and are often seen giggling over their chosen books!



### School Value Class Celebration Board

We have been introducing the School Values to Year R, with the Year 1 children helping them to remember about the importance of friendship, fairness, helpfulness and respect. We add to our Class School Values board on a regular basis throughout the year, so keep your eyes peeled for when your child has been spotted showing these values. ☺



### Time for a Cuppa!

FOCSS are holding a tea and coffee session for **any** family member to attend, taking place on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September at 2:30. It will be a great opportunity for you to build up relationships with parents in our school community, and to find out a little more about the fantastic contribution that FOCSS make to our school. We hope to see lots of you there!



### Our Learning this Week

This week we will be thinking about rhyming words with our Year R children, so feel free to join in with any rhyming games or books at home - perhaps they can guess the words in a selection of rhyming books with you at home. Year 1 children will be over learning their phonics and phoned words from last year, before moving onto new learning from next week. We will send home a list of words for our Year 1 family members, so that you can help your child learn to read and write these words at home. In maths Year R will continue to work with numbers from 0 to 10, gaining greater confidence with recognising the numerals, counting out the correct amount of objects to match, and creating simple number sequences. Year 1 will continue to work worded numbers to 20, reading them to solve missing worded numbers in a sequence. They will be counting and forwards and backwards in ones to 20 and 30 as ready. Our worship theme this week is centred upon the importance of friendship, and how we can support our friends in times of need, helping one another to get through any difficulties. We will read a selection of Bible stories linked to friendship during the week, but you may wish to share the story of David and Johnathan at home.

