



## Russet Class Newsletter 25.2.19



### Welcome Back!

We hope you have all enjoyed the break, and that the children are looking forward to their return to school. We will enjoy sharing our news as a class on Monday; no doubt the children will have fun getting back into school routine with their friends again! We are sure you will agree that the new fitness area outside is a wonderful addition to our school grounds - many thanks to FOCSS for all their funding efforts with our newly extended outdoor area.

### Book Fair News

Thank you to those of you who made a purchase from the Book Fair over the last week of school. Your generous contributions enabled each class to have a £50 spend on new books for their class reading collections! The children shared these on the last day of school, and hopefully you will be able to see them in the class this week as one of our early morning table top activities. Many thanks again for all your support.



### PE Sessions

We hope you have been able to check through your child's PE kit for any muddled belongings - feel free to return any extra items so we can get it back to the original owner. Some of the name labels were starting to come off, so hopefully you have been able to check that the items still have their names on. This term, we will have PE on a Tuesday afternoon and a Friday morning. Mrs Tyler, our PE specialist, will be working alongside our class on a Friday morning. Please ensure stud earring are taped over or not worn on PE days.



### Library Club

Just a reminder that Library Club will take place on Monday after school this term, with a finish time of 4:00. There are still some spaces left in this club. If any extra children would like to attend, please ensure you have completed a permission slip for them, which can be obtained from the school office.



### Our Learning this Week

This week we will introduce the sounds of ear, air, and ure to Year R, for example, in fear, hair and pure. The actions are not in pictorial form for the Sound Books, but we will still send home the letter tiles, so please ensure these are in school on Wednesday to be updated. To help describe the actions - ear we gently pull on our ear; air we wave our fingers in the air, and ure we waft our noses for the word manure. The children love this one! In English we will be writing recounts of our news, using some of the strategies from our recent training session to help the children formulate their sentences. Year 1 children will also be finding out about the skill of editing to improve their use of sentence punctuation, along with finding any spelling mistakes, too. In other English work the children will be finding out about how words change into the past tense, with the general rule of using the suffix -ed, for example, walk and walked. They will also learn about some exception words, for instance, correcting "goed" to "went", and "buyed" to "bought". In maths we will continue to solve addition and subtraction work, gaining confidence with writing number sentences, but also extend the children's thinking to balance number sentences, such as  $7 + 2 = 10 - 1$ . They will also be solving worded problems, such as "There are 14 bananas but 3 of them are bad. How many good ones are there?" Our Act of Worship theme is based upon the creation of the sea, and the children will find out about the Sea of Galilee.

