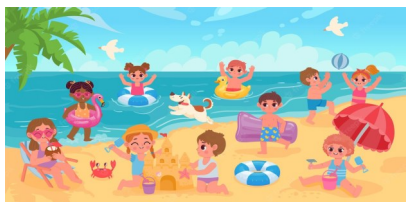


# The Glapton Academy

## F1 Saplings Class Newsletter

### Block 6/Summer 2 2022



#### Topic

Welcome back we hope you had a lovely break! This half term in Saplings class our topic will be 'Oh I do like to be beside the seaside'.

The term will commence with the children finding out about the summer season. We will be investigating the changes that happen to the weather during this time, the difference that it makes to the types of clothes we wear and the activities we might take part in. In addition we will be finding out about how to keep safe in the sun and by water.

After that, we will be finding out what a holiday is, what we need to 'pack' to go on a holiday trip and what people like to do on their holidays we will ask the children to share their own holiday experience. We will spend lots of time investigating the seaside environment - the beach and shoreline, the sea - above and under and the different animals you might find there. We will also find out about the seaside in the past.

We will have regular fun and interactive quizzes about the seaside and holidays to embed the children's learning and recall skills.

#### Literacy/Communication and Language

In literacy the children will continue to practise writing some letters and by the end of the term we would hope that all children will be able to write their first name.

In phonics the children will continue with developing their skills with oral segmenting and blending techniques as well as beginning to recognise some familiar words of importance.

We will be reading and sharing the stories 'Sharing a Shell', 'Look and Say what you see at the Seaside', 'The Storm Whale', as well as investigating some non fiction texts including 'Summer' and 'A Sunny Day'.

#### Book recommendation



Sebastian Braun

This book will provide hours of entertainment for your child.

The book is full of beautiful double page illustrations of different seaside scenes for you and your child to talk about.

The book includes lots of different objects at the bottom of each page for you and child to look for on the page, point out and comment on, developing language and comprehension skills from observing objects and events still further.

#### A Polite Reminder

We love the children to be healthy and keep hydrated in Saplings Class.

May we please remind you that in accordance with our school policy, if children wish to bring a drink to school in addition to the milk that they are offered then please may they bring a bottle of water only rather than squash or cordial. This is in line with all other classes in school.

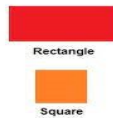
Thank you for your support.



## Maths

In maths this half term the children will continue to practise their one to one correspondence skills when counting out, matching numerals to quantity, recognising and counting numbers to 10 and subitising numbers to three.

In addition the children will be beginning to recognise through play and exploration that numbers are made up of smaller numbers. The children will be investigating and encouraged to respond to some informal and common shape names, making comparisons in objects between different weights and capacity as well as finding out the heavier or lighter or the longest or shortest of two items.,



Square

Triangle

## Maths Vocabulary

- triangle
- square
- rectangle
- circle
- wavy
- straight
- zig-zag
- curved
- heavier
- lighter
- longer
- shorter
- heavier
- lighter

## Reading Records .

A polite reminder! **Please return your child's reading records to us in Saplings class every Friday!** We do hope



you enjoy listening to your child reciting their weekly rhymes to you!

Please read each week's rhyme daily with your child encouraging them to hear and say any rhyming words, as well as listening for and saying some sounds in words. Please also use the reading record booklets to let us know about any other books your that child has read, or any activities that they have taken part in and enjoyed so that we can encourage them to interact and share their experiences with everyone in Saplings Class. By encouraging the children to talk to adults and peers about their own experiences we aim to promote and develop each child's confidence and self esteem. Thank you.

## School Uniform

School Uniform Accessories

May we please remind you that **hair accessories, socks and tights should be black, grey, white or red only.** Also **nail varnish** is not permitted along with jewellery other than plain or stud earrings, watches are only allowed when your child can tell the time. Thank you for your continued support.

## Dates for your diary

- June 15th Welcome Meeting for Parents KS1 hall 3.30pm
- July 5th Nursery children transition morning –arrive at Nursery as normal.
- July 6th Nursery children transition morning—arrive at the KS1 playground 8.45am and line up in new classes.
- Wednesday 27th July—children break up for the summer holidays.

We look forward to working with the children this half term.

*Mrs Smith and the Nursery team.*