

Nanpean C P School St Georges Road Nanpean St Austell Cornwall PL26 7YH Tel 01726 822447

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

# Welcome to Eden class - Reception!

In Eden class this term we will be developing the skills we will need to ensure a happy and successful time at Nanpean School.

The Eden team consists of Mrs Hayes (classteacher), Mrs Cookson and Miss Dash (Teaching Assistants). Mrs Cookson will be providing class cover on Thursdays.

# Curriculum:

We will be learning about superheroes and our own super powers as part of this term's topic called 'Super me, super you'. We will be exploring our own personalities, understanding our emotions and developing the social skills we all need to succeed. Our first shared story of the term will be 'Supertato' by Sue Hendra. This story is based around the adventures of Supertato and his mission to save the vegetables from the evil pea.

We will also be developing our numeracy skills through a range of practical hands on tasks, concentrating on number recognition, quantities, estimation, shape, space and measures. We will be using the Read, Write, Inc programme for the introduction of phonics to our reception children.

### **Reading Books**:

Your child will have lots of opportunities to read during the week and will read to an adult in class at least once a week. Please ensure that you read with your child at least three times a week, whether that is a school reading book, bed time story or a comic. For the Reception children we will be sending home a white level book which has no words in it; this is to encourage your child to develop their observational skills, allowing them to describe what is happening in the pictures and settings, think about the characters and develop questioning skills. This will help them when they come to read books with words at a later time. When you have listened to or read with your child, please initial in their reading record book to allow us to track their reading.

Please ensure your child's reading book and reading record come into school every day to enable us to listen to your child as well!

#### PE:

Our PE days will be Mondays and Wednesdays. Please ensure your child has their full, named, PE kit in school at all times. No jewellery should be worn for PE (staff will tape over any earrings to ensure no snags occur) and hair must be tied back.

We would like to remind you that PE kit consists of:

- Black shorts, leggings or tracksuit bottoms
- Plain white T-shirt (no large print or design please)
- Trainers or plimsolls
- Socks
- Tracksuits may be worn for outside PE during colder weather

# **Open Door Policy:**

We welcome your feedback on any aspect of your child's time in Eden class. Please pop in and see us after school to discuss any questions, queries or problems that you may have. The morning is a very busy time for us. However, if you have any matters that need addressing, you can leave a message with the member of staff on the door but please be aware that they will not be able to arrange for you to see us personally. If you urgently need to discuss something with us directly, please speak to a member of staff in the office who will contact us.

Here's to a great year!

Mrs Hayes (classteacher), Mrs Cookson and Miss Dash Eden Team











