Term 3 2014 (Year 1) #2

Dear Parents,

Over the next few weeks those of us in Year 1 will be following a unit of work on a theme that focuses on ‘Hooray... Let’s go on holiday!’

Children will learn – the learning goals – in three different areas:

1. The subjects of the curriculum. The learning goals for each of these subjects are at least as challenging as anything taught in the curriculum in your child’s own country. In many cases, the learning goals are more challenging.

2. Personal development – the characteristics which will help children become more responsible, independent learners.

3. International understanding – which will help children develop both a sense of the independence of their own country and culture and the interdependence between countries and cultures.

Each unit of work is based around specific targets derived from the learning goals for one or more of the subjects.

All of the work we are going to do has been specially written to help your child reach the learning goals. Children will be reading, researching, writing, illustrating, working on their own and working in groups. We will be checking to see how well your child has learned through particular activities and asking children to explain their work, perhaps to you.

We already know the interest you take in your child’s work. If you can, please discuss with your child the work they have done as the term progresses and let them teach you.

Please send in travel posters, travel brochures, picture postcards, holiday photographs, etc. for class activities.

If your child has some work to research, please help them, but without actually doing the work. If you have the chance to further their interest in the ideas of this theme please take it, but your enthusiasm and interest is most important.

By the end of the unit, we hope your child has achieved all of the learning targets. We hope they have had an enjoyable time in the classroom. And we hope you have enjoyed seeing your child work with enthusiasm. If you have any comments about the work your child has done, please get in touch.

Thank you.

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INTERNATIONAL PRIMARY CURRICULUM - MILEPOST 1

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**Literacy**
- Fly me to the moon - read poems, perform them and write their own verse
- Castles, Giants and Pirates - read stories about strange places, people and things
- Write about a pirates story

**IPC**
- **In Geography**, we'll be finding out:
  - The places people go on holiday
  - How they get to their holiday destination
  - Some of the things people do on holiday
  - What people wear on holiday
  - How tourism can spoil holiday places
- **In Art**, we'll be finding out:
  - How to create a sand art sculpture
  - About some of the pictures that are used to record holidays
  - How we can record our holidays
  - About the designs of some holiday souvenirs
- **In International**, we'll be finding out:
  - What is the same and what is different between the lives and home countries of the different children in our class
  - How to say 'hello' in another language
  - About future holidays in space
- **In History**, we'll be finding out:
  - The holidays that we have had in our own past
  - The holidays that our families and other people had in the past
  - What is the same and what is different between holidays in the past and today
  - About some of the wonders of the world
- **In Society**, we'll be finding out:
  - How to stay safe on holiday
  - What a pilgrimage is

**Numeracy**
- Counting on 0 - 50
- Adding two digit numbers
- Capacity
- Time
- Take away
- Making amounts/ adding - coins