



REIGATE ST MARY'S
PREPARATORY AND CHOIR SCHOOL

February 2018

Dear Parents

We hope you and the children have had a relaxing break and are looking forward to the next half term!

This half term our theme will be *Helping Hands*. Our *Fabulous Finish* for the Spring term will be a visit from the fire brigade which we are all very excited about! We also hope to have visits from a dentist, and an air ambulance professional. Please do let us know if you would like to come into Kindergarten to share any topic-related stories or experiences with the children.

As well as learning about the police, the fire brigade, the postal service, doctors, and dentists, we will be talking to the children about all the people who help them in their daily lives. To this end, we would be grateful if you would send in a photo of someone who helps them when they are not at school, for example a grandparent, a sports coach, a doctor, or anyone else you can think of! You can send in printed photos or email the photos through to the office for the attention of Kindergarten. Please could we have the photos by Friday 23rd February.

Our weekly letter will continue to detail our plans for the week. This can be read on the website and is also displayed next to the red door.

Throughout the term we will also be incorporating our school value of *'Freedom'* and our thinking skill of *'Risk Taking'* into the children's experiences.

As it is still very chilly, please could we also ask that all hats, scarves and gloves are clearly named, and that the gloves are kept in coat pockets, hats in the hood or sleeve of coats, and scarves hung on pegs. Please could you continue to ensure that your child has waterproof trousers and wellies which are clearly labelled so it is easy for your child to find their name, and a spare set of clothes on their pegs. We are continuing to work on the children's independence so do please encourage them to come into the classroom by themselves in preparation for next term, and help them to learn how to put on and take off clothes independently. We have been very impressed this term with how many children can now do their own zips! We will also continue to work on being polite and having nice manners so please could you encourage your child to say 'good morning' to members of the team when they are greeted at the door.

Finally, do remember that we have an open-door policy and you are always welcome to talk to any member of the team if you have any questions or queries, no matter how big or small. We are looking forward to another busy and productive half term with your children.

Kind Regards

The Kindergarten Team

Dates for your diary

Form photographs - Monday 26th February

World Book Day – Thursday 1st March

Mother's Day Breakfast and Open Classroom – Thursday 15th March

Visit from the Fire Brigade – Monday 26th March

FOSMA Easter Egg Hunt – Tuesday 27th March

Easter service – Wednesday 28th March

End of Term – Thursday 29th March, 12noon