**Monday 23rd – Friday 27th September**

***Wellies and Waterproofs –* thank you to all parents who have provided wellies and waterproofs for their child, they certainly needed them this week. NB: Spare socks are also useful to keep in your child’s PE bag – OUR SPARES ARE ALL ON LOAN AT THE MOMENT (please return borrowed items as soon as possible).**

Art – we have been having a close look at ourselves and everyone has painted a self-portrait. You are welcome to come in **after school** and have a quick look at your child’s portrait – it is hanging from the ceiling. NB: painting is available each day for self-selection.

*Groups* – the children are getting really good at remembering which group they are in. We take turns for a group to have a special day when they are first e.g. first to wash hands for snack, first to choose their learning, first to get home time things ready. NB: each group’s special day isn’t always on the same day as we have a rolling timetable.

*Construction* – we have been talking about different types of buildings (as some children have shown an interest in making castles, palaces and animal enclosures.

PSED – we are trying to learn the names of everyone in the class. We have played some ‘Circle games’ (we split into 2 groups for this);

* Saying our name and passing the toy to the next person
* Then saying someone else’s name and giving the toy to them

*Friday Lunch Time* – as the Year 1 and Year 2 children were on a trip we had lunch with the junior children Years 3, 4, 5 and 6.

***Looking forward to next week (commencing Monday 30th September):***

*Morning routine – to help them become independent we would like all children to come in on their own on Monday 30th September. Mrs Calvert will be standing outside the doorway to help with this.*

*Assembly* – we will be attending the Harvest Assembly on Wednesday 2nd October at 9.00am (see ‘Up to the Minute’ for details). It is our first assembly. We will also be learning about Harvest so please share with your child any traditions you have at home regarding this festival. Do they see the farmers at work? Do they know what crops are grown in this area? Do they know what the crops are made into e.g. bread?

Individual Photos – Thursday 3rd October see ‘Up to the Minute’

Learning diaries – these will be given out on Friday. Learning Diaries are checked every week, signed and initialled to confirm the comments have been read. There are information sheets inside but if you are unsure of what to put in your child’s Learning Diary please ask. Anything your child has commented upon, asked questions about or explained, please put in quote marks e.g. ‘It’s raining again. It rained yesterday’ (comments they make when out and about), or questions they ask when sharing books ‘Why is the moon different shapes?’

Thank you

Mrs Calvert