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Dear Foundation Parents/Carers

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Weekly Newsletter

We have had a wonderful week in Julia Donaldson class, the children really enjoyed our trip to the Theatre Royal and were so well behaved, we were extremely proud! The children have also really enjoyed our new topic 'Pirates'.

In the outside area this week the children have been creating amazing shape pictures using shapes and have been using our large building blocks to create pirate scenes outside. They have been listening so carefully to all the facts and details in Literacy it is amazing.

During number time we have been looking at 3D shapes, the children have really enjoyed exploring the school on a shape hunt, perhaps when you are out and about, you could spot some with your children.

In Literacy we were all so surprised when we received a letter from a real pirate. The pirate 'Jack Sparrow' left us some challenges to do across all areas of our learning which will be continued next week. If the children succeed, they will take a share of 'Captain Blackbeard's' treasure! The challenges in Literacy this week have been describing what you see in the picture and talking about the images aboard the ship in great detail, experimenting with different vocabulary, holding and writing a sentence and using the challenges around the classroom during 'choosing time'. The children are definitely on track to discovering that treasure chest!

In RWI the children are now focussing mostly on 'Fred Talking' words and holding a word or sentence in their head before writing it. We will be sending home support materials based on your child's individual targets on a Friday.

Thank you to all parents and families that attended our first RWI talk yesterday, it was wonderful to see so many of you there and we hope you found it useful. Please message us on class dojo if you have any questions!

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome back Miss Emmett and Miss McEvansonya, who were our PGCE students in Autumn Term 1. They are now back with us until the end of this half term, it is wonderful having them with us in class.

Dates for the diary:

- Thursday 24th January Second RWI talk opportunity 5:30-6pm
- Monday 28th January- Foundation Parents Coffee Morning. 8:30am onwards at the 'Good Coffee Headquarters' on Ebrington Street.
- Friday 8th February- School disco 4:30-5:30 for the Foundation children and Key Stage 1.

We hope you all have an amazing weekend, thank you again for all your support, it is greatly appreciated. .

Miss Palarm, Mrs Shaw and the Foundation Team

