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Foundation Stage Newsletter

Learning So Far...



Penguins and Lions 2020

Wow! What a fantastic few weeks getting to know your children and helping them settle into Onchan School. We are all very proud of how well they have transitioned into Foundation Stage and they are quickly learning our school routines and rules. The children have really enjoyed meeting lots of smiley new faces around school and exploring different places.

The children have been working really hard on their listening skills and are starting to be able to sit for longer periods of time on the carpet. They're also trying hard to remember to put their hands up... we've explained that unfortunately we don't have the super power to hear them all at once!

We have spent time interacting and observing the children to get to know their interests. As well as this, the Penguin class have been busy learning lots of new facts about Penguins and the Lion Class have been busy learning lots about Lions. We have introduced a 'Daily Star Challenge' into the provision which the children must try to complete before the end of each day. Examples of the types of challenges are: fine-motor activities to support pencil control/grip; letter/number formation practise; art; construction. The children have responded really well to this and are now confident with what they have to do.

Next week we will be starting our 'African Adventure' learning, which will have a particular focus on Kenya. Look out for blog posts and updates on the school website, we might even have a surprise trip planned towards the end of the half-term, which links to our topic!

If you have any questions, please feel free to pop in and speak to a member of the team.

Many thanks, Miss Cubbon



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Here are a selection of pictures of the Children's first few weeks in Foundation Stage:



Outdoor Exploring and Collaboration!



Penguin and Lion Crafts!



PE with Andy from MSR!



Discovering the different areas of Provision!

