

**THE FOUNDATION STAGE**  
**(Early Foundation Stage – Reception)**

**How to help your child during the next 6 weeks**

**Spring Term 2: Focus – Let’s investigate**

<b>Personal social and emotional development</b>		<b>Communication and language</b>		<b>Physical development</b>	
<p>Help your child show concern and respect for others, living things and the environment.</p> <p>Recognizing and enjoying children’s success with them is very important as it will help increase confidence.</p>		<p>Make up stories with your child using toys as story props. If you write them down they will be amazed that they can be authors!</p> <p>Show your child how to use language for negotiating, by saying “May I...?”, “Would it be alright...?”, and “Will you..?” in your interactions with them.</p>		<p>Continue to encourage your child to put their coats on independently. It is working!</p> <p>Encourage your child to use a knife and fork, teaching them the skills they need to use tools safely.</p>	
<b>Reading and Writing</b>		<b>Mathematics</b>		<b>Understanding the world</b>	
<p>During this term the children will bring home ‘ditty’ sentences to read, together with a ‘word detective’ book. Please spend some time reading these together.</p>		<p>Look at numerals in the environment and help your children recognize and order numbers to 20 and above.</p>		<p>When exploring materials pose open-ended questions, such as “How can we...?” or “What would happen if...?”</p> <p>Find out about Chinese New Year by using the internet or Information books.</p>	
				<b>Expressive arts and design</b>	
				<p>Encourage him/her to explore and describe the textures of things.</p> <p>Be interested in your child’s creative processes and talk to them about what they are trying to achieve.</p>	