

# Foundation

Welcome back to the final term of Foundation. The children quickly remembered the school routine and have begun the term with great enthusiasm. Thank you for supporting your child with their 'Easter Scrapbook'; we really enjoyed sharing them with the children.

This week, we introduced our topic of 'Journeys' by reading the story of 'Emma Jane's Aeroplane', looking at her trip around the world and thinking where we might like to journey to once we are allowed. Lots of children wished to visit Africa to see all manner of wild animals, whilst a few thought having ice-cream in Italy would be nice; and one simply wished to go to London to visit friends.

For Maths homework this week we would like the children to think about solving one of the problems below:

To play the game, you will need two dice and cards with the numbers 1 to 6 or to 12 on them.

To play the simple version of the game:

- Cut out the cards 1-6 and place upwards on the table.
- Player 1 rolls both dice and turns over the cards which are the same as the numbers rolled. For example, if a 4 and 5 are rolled, they would turn over the 4 and 5 cards.
- They can roll the dice again until they can't turn over any more cards.
- If a double is thrown, the player's turn ends.
- Add up any cards that are left showing to give their score.
- Then Player 2 has a turn.
- The winner is the player with the lowest score.
- Can you play again and get a different score?

To play the harder version of the game:

- Cut out the cards 1-12 and place upwards on the table.
- Player 1 rolls both dice and adds up the number of spots. They then turn this card over. For example, if they roll a 4 and 6. It adds up to 10. Then turn over the 10 card.
- They can roll the dice again until they can't turn over any more cards.
- If a double is thrown, the player's turn ends.
- Add up any cards that are left showing to give their score.
- Then Player 2 has a turn.
- The winner is the player with the lowest score.
- Can you play again and get a different score?

To extend both games you could ask the children:

- Can you explain your strategy?
- What is good about the game? What is not so good? Why?
- How could you alter the rules to make it better?
- How could you extend the game?

As the weather slowly improves, we would like the children to remain safe in the sun while playing outside. Please send your child to school with a named school uniform sun hat and sun cream. Sun hats may be ordered from the uniform shop and will last through your child's time in Pre Prep. On particularly sunny days, it is advisable to apply sun cream to your child before school and we will support your child to apply more if necessary during the day. Unfortunately we are unable to apply sun cream to your child unless it has been provided by parents. Using another child's sun cream, for example, would not be an option. Also please remember to return your child's water bottle so they can remain hydrated throughout the day.

Best wishes for the Summer Term,

The Foundation Team