

Reception Newsletter

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the start of a brand new school year. I hope you have had a lovely holiday. I am looking forward to an exciting and productive year in Reception and have an engaging curriculum planned for your children.

This newsletter will keep you informed on what will be happening over the course of this term.

R.E

In RE this term we will be introducing things that are 'special' in Christianity. The children will find out more about Jesus and the Bible to introduce them to the religion.

We will also cover other religious and cultural periods and festivals such as Harvest, Diwali, Advent and Christmas.



Communication, Language and Literacy

In Communication and Language this term we will be focusing on the children's communication and language development using a range of listening activities and opportunities for discussion. In Literacy children will develop their reading and writing skills in daily phonics sessions.

The children will practise writing their names and use writing for lots of purposes in their Literacy lessons.

Mathematics

Our focus on number this term will be on counting, recognising, ordering and writing numbers up to 10. They will also practise recognising amounts of small groups of objects without having to count them.

In shape, space and measure we will be exploring days of the week, length, width, patterns and we will be practising using and following positional language.

Understanding of the World

This half term we will be exploring our senses as our topic is all about ourselves.

The children will be using their senses to investigate the world around them. We will be having weekly sessions in the computer suite and use different ICT equipment to support the children's learning in technology.



PE

We will be having PE on a Wednesday and Friday morning this term.

Please make sure that your child has a full PE kit in school at all times and has their name in all pieces of kit. This term we will be focusing on multi-skills.



Topic

Our Cornerstones topic this half term is 'Friendship'. During this topic the children will learn more about themselves and their bodies and look at the similarities and differences between themselves and others.

The children will be learning about people who help us inside school and will be involved in lots of activities to do with friendship to help them settle into their new class.



Homework

Children's reading books can be changed on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. In order for your child to change their book we require a signature in their reading record from a parent or guardian to say that their book has been read.

Homework will go out on a Friday in your child's learning log and must be back in school by the following Thursday.

Spellings will also be set on a Friday in learning logs and tested in school on the following Friday. Your support with homework is invaluable and will have an extremely positive impact on your child's progress.



If you have any problems or concerns and wish to speak to me, I am available at the beginning and the end of the school day. I will not, however, be available after school on a Monday as it is our staff meeting. You are also welcome to make an appointment at the office to see me for more significant issues

Class Teacher: Mrs Rainford LSP: Miss Green