

Reception Newsletter Autumn Term 2017

Firstly, I would like to thank all the parents and carers for their support in preparing their children over the summer holidays for the BIG CHANGE! The nursery and home visits were very successful and as a result the children have settled into Reception very well! As part of our learning we encourage the children to experience as many different practical activities as possible and will try to bake or cook with the children regularly.

We are asking for a donation of £2 per child for a half term to help us to provide these activities for the children.



Personal, Social & Emotional Development

We will learn about:

The whole school 'Good to be Green' behaviour System

- Respecting how we are different
- Different emotions that we experience and how to respond to them appropriately
- Classroom routines, boundaries and behavioural expectations.
- How and why we should work and play together
- Forming positive relationships with adults and other children.

Dates for your diaries

- Monday 11th and Tuesday 12th September - Parents Lunch .
- Friday 29th September MacMillan Coffee morning
- Parents Consultations Tuesday 10th October
- Friday 20th October Harvest Celebration
- Friday 20st October - break up for school Holiday (1 week)

Expressive Arts and Design

We are going to:

- Learn to sing songs, make music and dance, and experiment with ways of changing them.
- Painting/collage/make moving puppets of (mum, dad, self etc)
 - Make music and sounds
 - Role play
- Designing and making models e.g binoculars, Super Hero resources and musical instruments.



Literacy

We are learning to:

- Listen to different sounds and be able to discriminate familiar sounds.
- Develop our sound and letter recognition - children will learn to hear and say the initial sounds in words.
- Practise and develop our letter formation for writing.
- Take an interest in books and print in the environment.
- Begin to learn to read words and simple sentence including some of the 45 Reception Words
- To give meanings to the marks that they make - labelling pictures/models and their own work.

Super Me, Super You!



Physical Development

We are learning to:

- Dress and undress for PE
- To put on and fasten own coat
- Move safely in different ways
- Find a space and move safely
- Handle equipment safely
- Develop our cutting skills
- Hold and use a pencil effectively

PE is on a Thursday so please make sure that your child has their kit in school and that their name is in every piece of clothing.

Communication and Language

Listening to stories related to the class topic. To listen to what others say and respond appropriately.

Retelling stories through acting out and ordering pictures. To use talk to imagine and recreate The World - How animals including humans are different. My senses - senses trail, feely bags, food tasting. To learn about Autumn and the Harvest. To learn about other cultures and their celebrations including Eid.

Mathematics

We are learning to:

- Sing a range of counting songs and rhymes
- Estimating and counting sets of objects
- Reciting numbers in order to 10, 20 and beyond
 - Number recognition
 - Beginning to form numbers
- To recognise, create and describe patterns using 2D shapes.
 - To order items by length or height.

Please support us at home by listening to your child read and making a comment in their reading record. Also help them to learn how to read their high frequency words regularly as well as develop their recognition of the characters and their names from their class reading book. If you want any further ideas on how to support your child's learning please don't hesitate to ask.

If you have any concerns or questions please don't hesitate to speak Miss Ramsden, Mrs Eldred, Mrs Pierce or Miss Willoughby. Thank you for your support.