

## Reception Newsletter Spring 1 2018

Welcome to the second half of Spring Term in Reception class. As part of our learning we encourage the children to experience as many different things as possible and cook with the children regularly. Thank you for all of your donations so far, please send your £2 per for this half term in a named envelope either to class or to the school office.



### Personal, Social & Emotional Development

We will be:

- Learning about being a good friend.
- Identifying what makes us unique.
- Finding out about different celebrations and why we celebrate them
- Continuing to play cooperatively with other children and controlling our behaviour.

### Communication and Language

We will be:

- Learning to listen in a range of situations.
- Listening to stories related to the rodeo theme.
- Responding to stories and relating these to our own experiences.
- Retelling stories through acting out and ordering pictures.
  - Joining in with repeated refrains in stories.
  - To use talk to imagine and recreate.

### Mathematics

We will be:

- Learning to solve problems by sharing amounts.
- Working on recognising the coins and their values.
- Continuing to practise number formation.
- Working on simple addition and subtraction.
- Learning about 2D and 3D shapes.
- Continuing to count sets of objects.
- Practising our number recognition
- Singing a range of counting songs and rhymes.
- Reciting numbers in order to 20 and beyond.
- To recognise, create and describe patterns.
- Sequencing events by time.

### Literacy

We will be:

- Learning phase 3 sounds.
- Practising blending for reading.
- Practising segmenting for writing
- Exploring fiction and non-fiction books.
- Writing words and simple sentences.
- Looking at the different parts of a story.
- Continuing to read words and simple sentences including some of the 45 Reception Words
- Writing for different purposes eg, posters, books, lists, labelling.

## It's a Wonderful World!



### Physical Development

We will be:

- Focussing on holding and using a pencil effectively.
- Improving cutting skills
- Learning to move safely over equipment.
- Developing throwing and catching skills.

PE is on a Tuesday so please make sure that your child has their kit in school and that their name is in every piece of clothing. Earrings should be taken out if possible.

### Expressive Arts and Design

We will be:

- Continuing to learn new songs, make music and dance.
- Creating collages, drawings and paintings.
- Creating stories in the role play area and acting as characters.
- Designing and building models.
- Making our own role play stations and resources with large junk modelling materials

### Understanding the World

We will be:

- Finding out about similarities and differences between animals and where they live.
- Learning about materials and the effects of human use on the environment.
- Continuing to look at seasonal changes.
- Looking at changes in the environment.
- Finding out about different celebrations including Shrove Tuesday and Chinese New Year.

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 to Miss Ramsden, Mrs Eldred, Mrs Pierce or Miss Willoughby. Thank you for your support.

