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Phonics

Every day your child will be having a phonics session where we introduce Set 1 sounds. When your child has learnt to recognise the first few sounds we begin reading simple words using these. Each week we will send home some letters or words for your child to practise reading and writing. As they progress through the sounds they will then have simple words, sentences or phonics books to practise reading with you.

Reading

Whilst your child is learning to read it is still important that they look at books and listen to different stories. Each week on a Tuesday the children will be able to bring home a book to share with you. Please make sure they bring their library books back every Friday so they can have a new book.

Don't forget...

Physical development is an important part of the Early Years Curriculum and supports children at this age to develop others skills, particularly writing. Every Friday the children will have a P.E lesson. They will need to wear their PE kit to school on a Friday. We will provide shorts and a T shirt but as the weather is changing you will need to provide dark jogging trousers and Velcro trainers also.

Reception Curriculum Leaflet Autumn

In this leaflet you will find out about what your child will be learning during this term and how you can help them at home.

It gives you information about what is going to be taught in all areas of the curriculum in school and suggests some ways in which you can get involved and help out at home.

We see this as a great opportunity for you to share in your child's education.

On the back page you will find further information regarding homework and what to expect each week.

Thank you for your support!
Reception Staff



Mrs Sadler



Miss Marsh

Welcome to Reception!

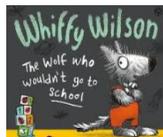
During the first half term in Reception we spend time supporting children in adjusting to the daily routine and making relationships with adults and other children. Every day we have a short phonics session followed by a Mathematics lesson. During the rest of the day we explore the different areas of our curriculum linked to a book which we will read together.

We have listed the topics and themes we will explore each week below and suggested some ways you can support your child at home. We value your support at home and would love to see some photographs or pictures you and your child have made.

14th September Starting School

'Whiffy Wilson, the Wolf who wouldn't go to School,' by Carolyn Hart.

At home talk to your child about what they enjoy at school, their new teachers and the friends they have made.



21th and 28th September Traditional Tales

Goldilocks and the Three Bears.



At home use the environment around you to talk about different measures. For example, big, small, long, short or tall short. Use family photos to talk about when your child was a baby and the changes that have happened.

5th and 12th October Glorious Food

'The Giant Sandwich,' Ginn Books and 'The Pizza Princess,' Ginn Books.

At home, you could make your child's favourite sandwich together, get them to spread the butter and cut their sandwich in half or shop for their favourite pizza toppings.



SMART Maths

In Maths lessons we will be introducing the children to 'Cupman' and using all his friends to help us learn to count and add. We will practise counting amounts and finding the correct number to match and then moving on to find one more or one less than a group of objects. We will also be learning how to use positional language such as above, below and next to move and describe the position of objects. We will continue, create and describe patterns with objects, shapes or colours.

At home you could support your child in Maths by practising counting up to 10 and then 20. You could count the stairs,

pasta, socks or even toys! When you are out or in the garden you could challenge your child to find you a set number of objects, for example three sticks or six leaves.

Encourage your child to look for numbers when you are out and talk about what they are used for.

Play games where you describe where to hide or where you have hidden something and ask your child to find it.



19th October and 2nd November Diwali and Bonfire Night

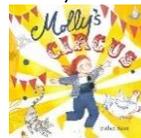


At home you could go on the CBeebies website and watch some of their videos about different celebrations. Draw pictures of the things you have or do on your birthday, Christmas or what might happen on bonfire night.

9th, 16th and 23rd November Circus Time

'Molly's Circus' by Esther Kent.

At home pretend make your own circus acts. What act can you make? 10 star jumps, hops, rolls, jumps. Can you balance on one leg, throw and catch a ball?



Can you ride a bike fast or slow? Can you tell a joke and make your family smile?

3rd and 10th and 17th December Christmas

'The Jolly Postman,' by Allan Ahlberg.

At home look for the signs of Christmas and what families do to prepare. Ask your child to help write Christmas cards and deliver them to friends or family members.

