



# Reception Newsletter



## Topics this term

This term our Foundation Stage topics are 'Ticket to Ride' and 'Under the Sea'. We will also be thinking about the changes that happen as we move into the Summer season.

In maths we will continue to work on developing number and calculation skills, solving practical numerical problems and understanding number concepts. We will represent, order and explore numbers to 20, finding more or fewer. We will also compare two amounts by changing quantities through adding and taking away. **You can help by continuing to practice counting carefully, adding and subtracting objects, actions and using fingers.**

Our literacy work will be focussed around some of our favourite traditional stories and some new ones too. We will continue to work on reading skills (predicting, recounting, expression, fluency and inference skills) as well as continuing to develop our love of books and stories and writing our own stories too. We will also be writing sentences using a range of tricky words that are spelt correctly and beginning to use full stops, capital letters and finger spaces. **You can help by continuing to share books and stories at home, talking about characters and types of stories, retelling in sequence and answering questions about what has been heard and read.**

In PE we will be developing games skills, team games and using games equipment. Children will practice their sending and receiving skills, passing and travelling with different equipment. Children will continue to work on their fine motor skills as well as work on exercises to develop their strength and dexterity. **You can help by giving children as many opportunities to move and dance and run and jump and climb and balance and do all of those fabulous things in open spaces, play areas and when out for walks.**

Children will work on larger scale projects in groups outside as well as refining their skills individually in art, developing their observational drawing and painting skills, using different materials for collage and printing techniques. We will learn new songs, develop an understanding of rhythm and rhyme and use puppets and role play to explore stories and imagination. **You can help by encouraging children to look carefully and pay attention to more detail when they are drawing at home and finding different materials to combine to create collage and pictures.**

So, we plan to make the absolute most of every single second of our final term in Reception and enjoy everything we do to the full. As ever, if you have any questions or concerns let us know.

Summer 2022—Our summer term is well underway and we are all set to thoroughly enjoy this wonderful time of year. I am amazed at how fast the time is going and that they will soon be moving into Year 1! We have lots of exciting events and activities planned for our final Reception term together

Miss Cowley and Mrs Walton



## Summer is here!

**Just a few things to mention as the summer approaches:**

Children must bring a coat of some sort to school. We understand how sunny it can look on a morning but British weather is so unpredictable and this can quickly change. We will also be doing more of our PE outside as the weather is warmer and we approach sports day. Children must have a pair of outdoor PE shoes (not plimsolls!) with their PE kit.

Please send a named hat for your child to wear outdoors to keep their head cool. Hats will be left at school for the children to access on sunny days.

Children do not need to bring in their own sun cream, in Foundation Stage we supply the sun cream and will apply it on the children on sunny days. Please apply sun cream to your child prior to school on hot days.

Also please make sure names are on jumpers etc. as children will be more likely to take them off during the day as the warmer weather approaches!

We would also like to remind you how important it is that you continue to read at home with your children, especially with the start of Year 1 approaching!

Our fund money is still £1 a week; last term we used the money to buy role-play props and materials for indoor and out and at the minute we are looking to continue to develop our outdoor area so we can make the most of it during the summer sunshine.

## Diary Dates

26 <sup>th</sup> May	Queen's Platinum Jubilee Day <i>full details to follow</i>
30 <sup>th</sup> May - 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Half term holiday
22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Nursery and Reception sponsored 'Totathon'
23 <sup>rd</sup> June	Induction meeting for parents of new Reception starters - 6.00pm
24 <sup>th</sup> June	School closed - PD Day
4 <sup>th</sup> July	Early Years Sports Day (Nursery & Reception) 10.30am
7 <sup>th</sup> July	Moving up day
11 <sup>th</sup> July	Parents Evening
13 <sup>th</sup> July	Nursery Graduation
20 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day of the Summer Term - school day ends at normal time.
21 <sup>st</sup> July	School Closed - PD Day
22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Summer Holiday begins
	Children return to school on Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> September

