



Reception Newsletter



Topics this term

This term our Foundation Stage topics are 'Ticket to Ride' and 'Under the Sea'. We will also be learning about the changes that happen in the Spring and 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 2023—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

Mrs Breen 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.

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 during their lunch break on sunny days. Please apply sun cream to your child prior to school on warm 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 and practise key words at home with your children, especially with the start of Year 1 approaching!

Our fund money is still £1 a week; this can be paid for on the Arbor app.

Don't forget to visit our Early Years Facebook page for regular updates about everything that happens in Reception Class.

Diary Dates

Mon 17 th April	Children back at school
Mon 1 st May	School closed - BANK HOLIDAY
Fri 5 th May	Celebration of the forthcoming coronation of King Charles III
Mon 8 th May	School closed - BANK HOLIDAY
Wed 24 th May	10.00am - Year 4 Open Worship in school 'Ascension & Pentecost'
Fri 26 th May	Last Day of Summer 1
Mon 5 th June	Back to school after the half term break
Fri 16 th June	Diversity Well-Being Day
W/B 19 th June	Aspirations week
Fri 7 th July	Foundation Stage Sports Day - 1.15pm (Nursery & Reception)
Tue 11 th July	'Moving up' day in school
Fri 14 th July	Reports out
Mon 17 th July	Nursery/Reception/Y1 & Y2 Parents Evening - 3.30pm to 6.00pm
Tue 18 th July	10.00am - Year 5 Open Worship - dedicated to Year 6
	School breaks up for Summer Holidays
Fri 21 st July	Children return to school on Wed 6 th September 2023

Earring Policy

Children are allowed to wear one pair of small stud pierced earrings except for the days when they have PE or swimming. On these days we will be insisting that earrings must not be worn for school and they should be removed by the parent or child at home. Covering earrings with tape will no longer be permitted as it does not ensure safe participation in sports activities.

If parents wish for their child to have their ears pierced, then it is best to be done at the beginning of the 6 weeks holiday so that they can then be removed for PE at the beginning of the Autumn term.

Nail varnish, false nails, make up, hair dye or temporary tattoos must not be worn for school.