




Reception Parent Newsletter



<p>KEY LEARNING THIS HALF TERM</p> <p>This half term we will be reading stories about ourselves; learning about our bodies, the similarities and differences between us, where we go to school and how we have changed since we were babies.</p> <p>We will be starting our RWI (phonics) sessions and will send out more details inviting you to information workshop.</p>	<p>OUR READING TEXTS</p>  <p>During our reading sessions we will be listening to stories to develop our understanding, learning and using new vocabulary and retelling the story. We will also be learning what nouns and verbs are.</p>	<p>WRITING</p> <p>We will be developing our fine motor skills, matching letters (graphemes) to phonemes (sounds), whilst practising forming letters and our name. When we are ready we will move onto writing short 3 letter words as labels eg cat, log, run.</p>	<p>MATHS</p> <p>We will be matching, sorting and comparing, looking at and describing simple patterns and subitising amounts up to 3.</p> <p>Subitising is the ability to look at a small number of objects and instantly recognise how many objects there are without needing to count.</p> <p>Click here for more information on subitising: https://thirdspacelearning.com/blog/what-is-subitising/</p>
<p>WAYS YOU CAN HELP AT HOME</p> <p>One of the best ways to support your child at home is to share a book together every night. Talk about the pictures, the characters, the events and the setting. Discuss the vocabulary and make predictions about what might happen next.</p> <p>We will post regularly on class dojo with updates on our learning, take the time to talk together about this and engage with our posts.</p>	<p>MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING</p> <p>Starting full time school can be difficult and overwhelming for everyone involved. A good, safe sleep routine is helpful and contributes to good mental health for everyone.</p> <p>For more information on bedtimes and sleeping: https://www.betterhealththatworkaward.org.uk/The%20Good%20Night%20Guide%20for%20Children.pdf</p> <p>We recommend no screens before bed, a bath or shower and story together. We will be sending library books home from week 2 to support this.</p> <p>If you are struggling with any aspect of starting school or would like any help, advice or just a chat please speak to your child's teacher, Miss Bartle (Assistant Headteacher) or Mrs Stringwell (Learning Mentor). We are all more than happy to help.</p>	<p>EVENTS IN SCHOOL/KEY DATES FOR RECEPTION</p> <p>All parents and carers are welcome to celebrate our learning, in and out of school, at our Friday assembly. Please enter through the main entrance after drop off where will be pleased to welcome you into school, with refreshments. Miss Bartle and Mrs Stringwell are both around at this time.</p> <p>During the week commencing October 22nd we will be inviting you into school to share our learning from this half term. During that same week we will be asking children to come dressed up as what they want to be when they are grown up. More details to follow.</p> <p>Children are required to complete the statutory Reception Baseline Assessment this half term. The assessment is carried out on an iPad and will be administered by Miss Bartle next week. It will be done in a relaxed, informal environment. More information can be found here: https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1074327/2022_Information_for_parents_reception_baseline_assessment.pdf</p> <p>If you would like anymore information please speak to Miss Bartle</p>	

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