Reception Curriculum Newsletter - Term 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to our second and very busy term at school. We hope that you have all had a restful half term. We are very much looking forward to learning and performing our own nativity for families to come and see.

The Reception Team

The Value that we are focusing on this term is:



Please see below key learning objectives for each area of learning.

Key Dates

For whole school events please see the whole school dojo. Here are some additional things happening for Hedgehogs and Badgers:

Friday 13th November – Children in need. Non uniform day, please bring in £1 donation.

Wednesday 11th November – Friends of Hopping Hill Disco

Monday 16th November – School photographs

Wednesday 2nd December – Christmas fete 3.30pm

Monday 7th December – Early Years Nativity Performance 2pm

Tuesday 8th December – Early Years Nativity Performance 9:30am

Wednesday 9th December – Trip to the pantomime

Wednesday 16th December – Reception Christmas dinner

Friday 18th December – Last day of term

Kind Reminder - Please remember to pay your child's snack contribution for this term via ParentPay. Your contributions help us provide a range of snacks for the children, including rice cakes, crackers, fruit and other healthy options. Thank you for your support!

Personal, Social and Emotional Development



Begin to resolve small conflicts with other children by negotiating and compromising

To work cooperatively with peers and understand the different needs, wants and behaviours of others.

Communication and Language



To begin to understand humour. E.g. nonsense, rhymes, jokes.

To use new vocabulary throughout the day.

To link statements and stick to a main theme or intention during conversations with others.

Physical Development

To be able to use anticlockwise movements and retrace vertical lines to support letter formation

To be able to access and use a range of simple tools to effect changes to materials. E.g. rolling, pins/cutters, scissors.

Literacy



Phonics – new sounds that we will be learning
ff ll ss j v w y x z zz qu ch sh th ng nk

Tricky words - put pull full as and has his her go no to into we me be

Key text this term – The Three Little Pigs

Reading skills,
To begin to orally blend words.
To be able to read CVC words.
Writing skills,
To be able to write their name.
To use the correct letter formation of taught letters.
To be able to write CVC words using taught sounds.
To begin to write words and labels using taught sounds.

Mathematics



To count forwards and backwards within 10.

To begin to explore composition of numbers to 5 e.g. through 'bunnies' game.

To match numerals and amounts up to 5.

To find one more of numbers to 5

To find one less of numbers to 5.

Name 2D and some 3D shapes.

Understanding the World



To know that people around the world have different religions and to learn about the festival Diwali.

To know some similarities and differences between things in the past and now.

To talk about the Christmas Story and how it is celebrated.

Expressive Arts and Design



To explore different techniques for joining materials (Glue Stick, PVA, Sellotape, treasury tags, pins)

To create musical patterns using body percussion.

To use costumes and resources to act out narratives

To perform a song in the Christmas Performance

Things to keep in mind...

- Long hair should be tied back during the school day.
- Earrings need to be small studs and need to be taken out for PE days (Tuesdays)
- We do ask that children bring in water to drink whilst in the classroom and they can bring juice for lunchtime if they wish.
- Please return reading packs every Thursday for reading books to be changed.

If you have any questions, please do come and speak to a member of the Reception team.