



One Community, Growing and Learning Together

Reception Curriculum Newsletter – Spring Term 1

Welcome to Spring 1! We would like to share our curriculum coverage for this half-term.

Communication & Language – This half term we will continue to work on our speaking and listening. We will have discussions with our friends and listen to their ideas.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development – We will continue to work on becoming more independent with self-care e.g. handwashing, toileting, and with our coats and belongings. We will also work on getting ourselves dressed for PE.

Physical Development – This half term we will continue with our Yoga sessions with Karen. We will be developing our Yoga poses and our gross motor skills. We will be refining our fine motor skills by using a range of equipment and strengthening our fingers by using dough.

Literacy – The majority of children will now begin Level 3 phonics where they will be introduced to a range of new digraphs (two letters that make one sound). We will be blending the sounds together to make words and expanding our repertoire of 'tricky words'. We will continue to read a range of stories that will act as a stimulus for the week ahead.

Maths – We will be introduced to numbers 5-10 and continue to work on the composition of all numbers to 10. We will begin to use these numbers to make number sentences and learn the values of +, - and =. We will work on 1 more/less than a certain number and use different resources, such as number lines, to support us.

Understanding the World – This half term we will be learning all about animals in different environments. We will look at the different habitats and climates that different animals prefer, we will explore how different types of animals need different types of care. We will learn about the different parts of animal's bodies and discuss how they differ from our own.

Expressive Art & Design – Children will explore a range of different materials to create their own pieces of art work. They will be taught using a range of different techniques to use and experience different resources to apply paint and other media. The children will continue to develop their use of line and shape to add more detail to their drawings and sketches.

Reminders

- Reception children benefit greatly from reading every day at home. Ten minutes a night can have a significant impact on the development of your child in reading. Please can you ensure that you sign and comment in your child's yellow reading record each time you have read with them. Feedback is greatly important for the teacher and children also receive Reading Raffle stamps for every adult signature in their Reading Record.
- Homework will be available on our eSchools learning platform. Homework can be completed on eSchools, by uploading a photograph **or** on paper and sent back into school.
- PE kit is to be left in school and will be returned for washing on the last day of each half term.

Our Commando Joe Character Values

