

*Reception/ Nursery - EYFS Curriculum Newsletter – Summer Term 2024

Welcome back! We hope you are ready for the Summer Term after a lovely Easter break. Our new topic is **“Let’s go on an adventure!”** and we are looking forward to learning about minibeasts, Summertime, environments and being a mini scientist. We are hoping to go and explore Dudley Zoo. As always, we appreciate all of the support you provide at home and look forward to working with you to help your children progress further with their learning.

The Reception Team:

Phase Leader: Mrs Wood

Class RH: Miss Harvey; Class RW: Mrs Wood

Miss Cowles, Mrs Westwood and Mrs Tromans

Communication and Language and Literacy

We will be focusing on a variety of other texts in reading lessons to develop comprehension skills. In writing lessons, we will be practising writing CVC words, such as ‘cat’ and ‘hat’ as well as captions and phrases. We will be continuing to look at using full stops and finger spaces. Throughout all lessons and subjects, we will be developing our oracy skills, through 1: 1, paired and whole class communication whilst increasing our use of vocabulary. We would appreciate your support at home by encouraging your child to read daily and to share books that you have at home. Please write in your child’s planner when you have read them a story or listened to them read their school books. We will also be continuing family library in the Summer term.

Phonics

In Phonics, we will be continuing to follow our phonics scheme of ‘Little Wandle’. The children will have a daily phonics lesson to support them in reading and recognising sounds.

Maths

In maths, we will be focussing on counting on and counting back, numbers to 20 and shape. We will also be exploring numbers to 10 in greater detail with specific focus on number bonds to 10. We will use a lot of concrete resources and Numberblocks to support this. Please encourage your children to read and tell the time at home at every opportunity using an analogue clock (a clock with hands).

Personal, Social and Emotional Development (PSED)

In PSED, we will be starting to discuss year 1 with the children and the changes they can expect to encounter. We will be discussing rules and how they can look different, encouraging them to zip up their own coats and continue with our skills builder strands of ‘aiming high’ and ‘staying positive’.

Homework

Daily reading is expected. Homework is delivered either through blue handwriting books or activities through tapestry.

Understanding the World

During this term, we will be learning about mini-beasts and their habitats, different countries and how people live. Children will have the opportunity to carry out practical tasks to develop their working scientifically skills.

Physical Development

PE days are on Thursday for class RH and Friday for class RW. Please make sure your child comes to school in the correct Woodside PE kit that follows our uniform policy. Children will have lessons both indoors and outdoors. Please remove all jewellery on these days.

Expressive Arts

Throughout the year we encourage children to use a variety of different mediums for their artwork. This term we are going to be refining our artistic skills as well as encouraging drama and musical abilities. We will be using different shading techniques as well as rubbings from trees and other things in the natural world.