

Reception Newsletter

AUTUMN TERM 1

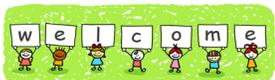
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Welcome to Reception.

We have really enjoyed getting to know all our new children and their families over the last two weeks through the door step visits, the tours of our Early Years department and the children's first few days at school.

We have been pleasantly surprised at how well the children have coped with starting school and we hope to build upon this during their first half term in Reception.

Here is a quick summary of what we will be covering over the next few weeks.



This half term in Maths we will be following the White Rose's Reception Scheme of Learning.

We will be looking in depth at numbers 1 to 5; we will be sorting objects into groups; we will be comparing quantities of identical and non identical objects; and we will be ordering important events and times in your child's day and using positional language to describe when events happen.



In Language this half term, we will focus on the key texts *The Three Little Pigs*, *Goldilocks and the Three Bears*, *The Three Billy Goats Gruff* and *The Little Red Hen*. Using these books we will learn to retell stories using props, actions and story maps; we will learn to sequence key events; and think about the characters involved in the stories and how they act and feel. We will also begin to adapt our stories by replacing key characters and thinking of alternative endings.



We will begin daily phonics sessions following the Read Write Inc programme of study.

We will start by familiarising ourselves with all the picture cues linked to the letters and by playing some Fred Talk games.

We will then begin to introduce the sounds and encourage the children to hear, recognise and write the letters taught and alongside this we will practise the key skills of segmenting and blending which will aid your child's reading and writing development.



This half term our topics are *Ourselves and Autumn*.

We will be thinking about similarities and differences between us; thinking about things that we like and dislike; discussing our families and important people; and investigating our senses. We will also explore the Season of Autumn, looking at the changes that take place in our environment and learning some Autumn inspired songs and rhymes.



Please remember to label all personal items especially jumpers and coats.

PE will be on a Tuesday and we will let you know when this will begin.

From Monday 14th September Reception's drop off and pick up times will be 8.50am and 2.45pm.

Please be aware that both Reception classes will cover the same work over the half term but the order that they complete this in will be different so that we can minimise the amount of resources that we have to share at anyone time.