

Welcome to Reception

This overview explains what your child will be learning in school during this first half-term. They will develop skills and knowledge across the 7 areas of learning (EYFS).

We will spend lots of time talking, playing and getting to know each other. The children will be encouraged to access a range of adult-led and independent activities, both indoors and outside.

Communication, Language and Literacy

The children will:-

- Listen carefully to others
- Take turns in conversation
- Talk using sentences to discuss what is happening and recall past events
- Distinguish between some different letter-sounds
- Blend and segment simple words
- Begin to recognise rhyming words
- Listen to and re tell stories (Goldilocks and the Three Bears and The Little Red Hen)
- Begin to recognise simple words in books
- Use early writing (mark making) to record their ideas
- Begin to form letters of the alphabet

Personal Social and Emotional Development

The children will:-

- Settle into Reception and learn the class routines
- Make new friends and play with others
- Develop relationships and talk with staff and other children
- Learn our class rules and follow them
- Share toys and resources with others
- Choose their own activities (get the equipment out and tidy it away)
- Learn how to express their needs and feelings in appropriate ways

Marvellous Me!



Maths

The children will:-

- Count forwards and backwards to 10
- Count groups of objects accurately, touching each one
- Explore how to separate 5 objects into 2 groups e.g. 1 and 4, 2 and 3.
- Compare quantities within 5. Which group has more / fewer?
- Sort and match objects and talk about what is the same
- Use some simple mathematical language to describe objects e.g. long, tall, short
- Talk about the pattern of the school day using the words morning, afternoon, now, next, after lunch, home time



Understanding of the World

The children will:-

- Describe their home, naming different rooms and parts of the building
- Talk about their families and learn that all families are different
- Talk about how children start life as babies and how they change and grow
- Listen to adults retelling experiences from the past
- Look at images from the past and describe differences to the modern world
- Learn how and why we recycle household waste
- Name and describe some vegetables that are harvested in the UK

Expressive Arts and Design

The children will:-

- Stack, line and balance bricks and blocks (vertically and horizontally)
- Draw familiar people from memory
- Play and pretend in the role play home area and act out familiar routines e.g. cooking dinner, feeding the baby
- Follow the beat in music by clapping, tapping, stamping etc.
- Copy, memorise and perform simple hand action songs
- Name and explore mixing the primary colours (red, yellow, blue)
- Paint with broad paintbrushes

Physical Development

The children will:-

- Thread beads and use small pegs and peg boards
- Hold scissors correctly and cut along straight lines
- Join materials using glue sticks
- Squash, flatten and cut playdough
- Join in with hand action songs
- Join construction materials e.g. Lego and Mobilo
- Move safely in a large space, moving around obstacles
- Learn to hold a pencil correctly and comfortably
- Learn the correct letter formation to write their own name

