

Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn - 2020

Reception



Homework

Reading: Children should read at least three times a week at home, and their reading diaries should be signed by an adult each time they read. Certificates will be awarded for home reading. We will issue your child with a school reading book, a class reading book and an online book each week.

Phonics: We follow the DfE Letters and Sounds programme. Children will be taught by their class teacher as a whole class, with support provided by the class TA. We will start with single letters and their corresponding sounds.

Maths: We will start to develop our understanding of number by developing our fluency, reasoning and problem solving within each concept area of maths. Through a mastery approach to learning, children will develop a greater understanding of the meaning and representation of each number.

PE Kit: Reception children will need to come dressed in their PE kit on a Monday and Friday. Please ensure that your child has appropriate wear for indoor and outdoor PE lessons. Could we please ask that all PE kit is labelled.

Outdoor Learning: Children will have access to both our outdoor area and forest school and therefore, may get messy! Please provide your child with named wellies as we go out no matter the weather!

Our topic this term will be...

Marvellous Me!

After our initial introduction to our Reception classes, we will start to discuss our own families and consider what it means to be a family along with the similarities and differences between families. We will be taking a look at our own houses and homes and explore our local area. The children will use technology to locate key local features and create their own map of their journey to school. In our P4C sessions we will start to discuss and develop our understanding of individuality, feelings and emotions. We will consider our body systems and what we can do to stay healthy. With the change in season, children will consider how their environment is different and investigate why leaves change colour. The last few weeks of term will be spent focusing on the Christmas period. We will have lots of fun activities to get into the festive spirit!

You can help your child to succeed by doing the following:

- Daily reading practise with your child (remember to discuss the text and ask questions)
 - Daily reading **TO** your child
 - Activities which promote number recognition, counting and shape.
 - Supporting your child in becoming more independent in dressing and in their own personal self-care.
- For additional information and resources to support your child's learning, please see our school website and the home school links diaries.

Please feel free to contact us with any queries and we will try to help wherever possible. We would like to Thank you for your continuing support.

Mrs Chapman, Mrs Daniels, Mrs Allen, Mrs Sri and Mrs Keen.