

Reception Class

Newsletter Autumn 1 2025

Welcome and Special Announcements

Welcome back to all our children and families from Nursery and to our new children and families who are joining us for the Reception year at school. We are looking forward to getting to know you and working together in your child's learning journey. During the first few weeks we will be settling into school life, learning our new routines, learning how to behave in our reception class and busy making new friends.

Your Reception Staff are:

Mrs Greene, Miss Llewellyn, Mrs Healey, Mrs Drake, Mrs Keighley, Miss Layton and Mrs Robertson

Our Learning this term

Read, Write, Inc Phonics

This term we are working hard to learn the set 1 sounds - the sound each letter of the alphabet makes. We will be practising oral blend eg. "m-a-t mat".

Please practise these sounds with your child at home. More information to follow.

Writing

This half term we want to make sure that we can hold a pencil correctly. We will be practising writing our name with correct letter formation. Please support us with this at home.

Other themes this half term:

All around me

- Families
- Nocturnal animals
- Bears
- Night and day
- Weather
- Houses / homes
- Relationships
- Feelings

Our special book:

https://youtu.be/ljkiDizd 8M



Maths This term we will be:

This term we are developing our subitising and counting skills. We are learning about how numbers to 5 are made and beginning to compare sets of objects and use the language of comparison.

Subitising is recognising small groups of objects without counting them 1,2,3.

Other Learning and Need to knows

We will be sending information out as the term progresses regarding phonics, reading and writing. Sharing books and reading stories are so important; please try to find time each day to share a book with your child. Counting and recognising numbers can be done anywhere - at home, on the park, in the shops.

Key Information This Term

We will be working hard with the children to support them with sharing toys and resources with others. We also expect that they tidy away what they have been using. Please encourage them to do this at home.

School closes for half term on:

Friday 24th October

We return on:

Monday 3rd November Please encourage your child to be independent, especially dressing themselves i.e. putting on their jumpers/cardigans and coat, using their zip and putting on (and fastening) their shoes. Please label all items of clothing, even hats and gloves if possible.

It is very important for children in Reception to be able to use the toilet independently. This includes recognising when they need to go and toileting themselves. Please support your child at home in doing this and encourage them to wipe themselves and wash their hands