



## Reception Spring 1 Newsletter

Welcome back to Spring 1!

We hope you have had a wonderful break and are ready for an action-packed half term!

### The EYFS Curriculum

There are 7 areas of the EYFS curriculum which we cover in our indoor and outdoor provision. These areas are:

#### Prime Areas

- Communication and Language
- Personal, Social and Emotional Development
- Physical Development

#### Specific Areas

- Literacy (writing/reading)
- Maths
- Understanding the World
- Expressive Arts and Design

### Key dates for your diary:

Friday 16th January- Reception Family Friday

Friday 30th January - Reception Family Friday

Friday 13th February- Reception Family Friday

Friday 13th February end of Spring 1

Monday 16th- Friday 20th February half term

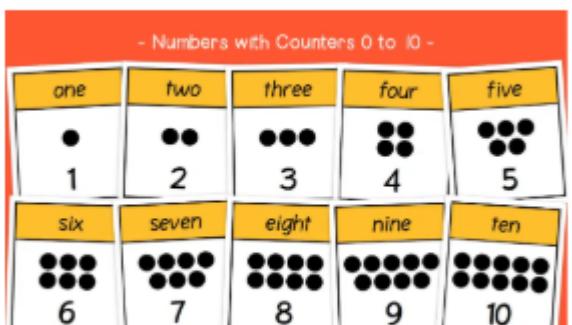
Monday 16th - Friday 20th February half term camp and preschool open

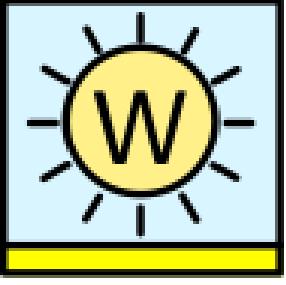
Monday 23rd February Spring 2 begins

Our learning will be centred around

This half term we will be learning about Winter. We will learn about the weather, how it feels in the winter and what clothes we might wear compared to the summer. **Know** what is similar and different when comparing sources from the past e.g. photos of antarctica- ref to global warming)??

As part of our **RE** topic we will be learning about celebrations and how different festivals are celebrated - we will focus on Lunar New Year, Persian new year and the festival of Holi.

Reading	Writing
<p>We will continue teaching reading through Read Write Inc. phonics (RWI). Children will learn a new sound each day, starting with the letters of the alphabet in order of the most common letters first (m a s d t ...). Once children are able to blend cvc words such as cat and mud they will be given two books to take home, one which matches their phonics level and one book to read for pleasure.</p> <p>The best support you can provide is to read daily with your child. Our homework will also link to RWI Phonics.</p> <p><b>Read Write Inc. Phonics</b></p>	<p>In Reception we use lots of talk, discussions, role play and drama to create fantastic writing opportunities.</p> <p>We will have mark making opportunities in different areas of the provision. We will explore using different tools to make marks and begin to give meaning to them. This term the children will be writing simple sentences using finger spaces and full stops. We will learn how to describe a character and retell the story. We will have the opportunity to use our imagination and create our own story.</p> <p>Our core texts for this term are:</p> 
<p><b>Maths</b></p> <p>In Reception, children will have the opportunity to use their mathematical thinking in all areas of the provision. For example, children will be using measuring tapes in the construction area to measure their models.</p> <p>This term the children will learn counting to 10 forwards and backwards, ordering of numbers to, addition and comparing quantities.</p>	<p><b>Forest School</b></p> <p>Forest School is a fantastic opportunity to learn outdoors. Children will need to come to school in suitable clothing as we learn the skills needed to be safe and successful at Forest School.</p> <p><b>Forest School will continue to take place from week beginning: 13/01/26 (weather permitting)</b></p> <p>Children will need wellington boots and puddle suits, our sessions will be every <b>Tuesdays 10-11:45</b>.</p>
	

PE Kits	Family Fridays
<p><b>Class PE Day: Wednesday</b></p> <p>Please ensure that your child comes to school wearing their PE kit on <b>Wednesdays</b>.</p> 	<p>We would like to invite you into our class to do activities with your child from 8:45-9:30am every other Friday.</p> <p>Our Family Friday dates for Reception are:</p> <p>Friday 16th January- Creative art- </p> <p>Friday 30th January - </p> <p>Friday 13th February- Lunar year </p> <p><i>Cooking will take place and each week we will have something different to learn.</i></p> 
<p><b>Junk modelling and loose parts</b></p> 	<p><b>Useful information</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Water bottles: Children do not need to bring a water bottle to school as we provide individual bottles in class.</li> <li>• Label uniforms and spare clothes: Please provide a spare change of clothes for your child and label the uniforms.</li> <li>• Clubs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <b>Breakfast clubs 8.00-8.45</b></li> <li>○ <b>After school clubs 3.45-5.00</b></li> <li>○ <b>Playcentre 5.00-6.00</b></li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p>Please come and speak with us if you have any questions or concerns and we look forward to working with you all.</p>	
<p><a href="#"><u>Visit our website for dates, news and other information</u></a></p>	