

Reception - Spring Term

Things have been a bit different from normal this term. We haven't been able to work in the way we normally would, but you have all been fantastic! I have loved seeing the progress your children have made and what they have been up to. Keep it up!

After half term

We will be continuing with the adult-led maths, phonics and literacy elements of our curriculum after half term. I will also continue to upload suggestions for ways that you can address the other areas of learning.

What will we be covering in each area of learning?

Communication and Language

The most important thing you can do here is talk, talk, talk! Lots of conversations about what your child is doing, about stories you read together, about what you see when you are out on a walk or watching television. We will be encouraging children to always speak in full sentences and give as much information as clearly as possible. Listening is also very important here. When you are talking with your child, make sure they are really listening to what you say, and giving appropriate responses.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Our PSED focus this term is, 'It's good to be me'. We'll share some books around this topic, and think about what makes us special and what we are proud of.

Physical Development

I will share some ideas for continuing to help them develop their skills in this area. If you have child scissors at home, it would be good to make sure they are competent using them. Our handwriting sessions will continue to develop pencil skills, and any crafting or building using small pieces they do helps too! It's also important for them to move around as much as possible, so I will continue to share links to activities they can do online to help with this.

Literacy

In the adult-led phonics sessions, we will be continuing to work on reading and writing words with 4 sounds. We will continue to practise our handwriting using our letter formation rhymes, and we will continue to practise holding a sentence and writing it with correct sounds and finger spaces. We will also learn our set 2 sounds (more special friends).

In the adult-led story time sessions, we will be continuing to explore lots of great stories together, and I will give you suggestions for follow up activities of ways to respond to the stories if you would like to.

It's also important that you continue reading the ditty sheets and books with your child.

Mathematics

In maths, we will start by exploring the numbers 9 and 10. We will then focus in on number bonds to 10 (pairs of numbers that add up to 10). We will look at the features of 3D shapes, and we will continue to develop our understanding and appreciation of patterns.

Expressive Arts and Design

I will continue to share ideas for how to develop children's skills in this area with items you might have at home.

Understanding the World

I will share ideas on looking for signs of spring and exploring Chinese New Year. In R.E. our focus is on Easter, from Pancake Day (Shrove Tuesday) to Easter itself. If your child can help with the cooking at home, from chopping to grating, those are also great life skills.

When we go back to school

When we are back in school, we will spend time getting used to routines again and seeing where all the children are at with their learning. Forest School will be on a Monday and P.E. on a Friday as normal. We will be in touch with more information when we have it. The home learning folder will remain on the website with useful resources in case of a need to isolate.

Keep going Reception - you are all superstars!

Thank you parents for your continued support and hard work.