



Curriculum Letter for Reception

Autumn Term 2020



General Information

We are extremely proud of how well the children are all settling into school life and we are looking forward to a fun-packed term ahead! The children are familiarising themselves with their new environment. In the classroom, we are beginning to learn our class rules and how to look after ourselves and each other.

As the weather is so changeable, please make sure your child has a coat in school every day and remember to name absolutely everything!

In Reception, parents are kindly asked for a **voluntary annual donation of £15**. This much-needed fund enables our Reception children to take part in regular cooking sessions, as well as help to pay for replacement items throughout the year such as messy play and craft materials. The donation is paid for through ParentPay in three £5 instalments throughout the school year. Many thanks for your support.

Curriculum

Our topic this term is **Marvellous Me** and we are focusing on finding out about each other and our interests. As the term progresses, we will begin our phonics sessions and reading lots of fantastic stories such as *Zog*, *Utterly Me* and *Pumpkin Soup*. In Mathematics, we will be recognising numbers, counting and identifying 2D and 3D shapes.

In the second half of the term, we will be learning about different festivals including: Diwali, Bonfire Night, Chanukah and of course, Christmas. We will also be looking at the different seasons and weather. So please encourage your child to talk about the changes that they notice.

PE days

PE lessons start on Monday 28th September with Coach Romaine. **Children come into school in their P.E kits every Monday**. If you are unsure about your child's house colour, please see the class teacher.

Reading and Spellings

Children will bring home a library book each week to read with their families. Later in the term, children will also be given a phonics-based reading book each week. Alongside their reading books, children will be sent home with 'tag words' to learn. These are high frequency words that the children will be learning to recognise and write throughout the year and can practise with you at home.

Every child will have their book changed on a different day of the week. We will let you know which day your child's book needs to be changed and this is the only day they will need to bring in their blue book bags. It will be the same day every week.

Key Dates

Flu nasal spray immunizations 14th October

Half term – 26th – 30th October