

Maths



This half term we will be learning to:

- Compare numbers
- Understand that two equal groups can be called a 'double' and connect this to finger patterns
- Sort odd and even numbers according to their 'shape'
- Order numbers and play track games
- Join in with verbal counts beyond 20, hearing the repeated pattern within the counting numbers

Everyday maths:

During our daily snack time and morning routines, we will use our counting skills to find out how many children are present in our class each day and count out snack to share. We will learn about days of the week when we complete our class calendar and discuss what is first, then and next on our visual timetable. The children access our maths areas as part of their own learning, giving them a range of exciting open-ended opportunities to extend their thinking and explore their mathematical fascinations through their play.

Physical Education

In Reception the children will have one PE session each week.

This will include both indoor and outdoor PE.

This half term we will focus on ball skills. The children will be developing their throwing, catching, dribbling and target skills.

Class 1 and 2 PE: Thursday



Please ensure that your child wears their PE kit to school on their PE days. This includes trainers, joggers, shorts, t-shirts and a sweatshirt or hoodie.

Please be reminded that **earrings cannot be worn** in PE and long hair must be tied back. Unfortunately, we cannot remove earrings from your child, so please remember to do so on the required days.



Forest School

This half term we will be observing seasonal change, comparing winter and spring and spotting signs of new growth. We will hunt for plants, minibeads and animals, with a focus on what animals eat. We always encourage the children to use accurate scientific vocabulary for living things. Forest School sessions may include active games, creative activities and teach the children about managing risks, outdoor safety and how to care for the natural world. Children will be provided with an all-in-one waterproof suit to wear over their usual school uniform. We suggest that all children wear trousers rather than a dress or skirt on Forest School days so they are comfortable in the suits.

Please also remove earrings from your child on this day.

We ask that all children bring in a pair of welly boots to wear.

Please use our class welly racks to store boots.

Class 1 and 2 Forest School: Tuesday

Mrs Eagle

Class Teacher in Class 1 and EYFS Team Leader
(Mon-Fri)

Mrs Booth

(Thurs and Fri)

Mrs Wiltshire

(Mon-Wed)

Mrs Sabey

(Thu/Fri)

Class Teachers in Class 2



Our Teaching Assistants:

Mrs Cronk, Mrs Tapuc and Mrs White

Collection arrangements

Please update us if collection arrangements change as we do take the safety of our children very seriously. This can be done via a telephone call to the front office or a message in person when dropping off your child.

Literacy



This half term we will be learning to:

Reading

- Blend sounds into words, so that they can read short words made up of known letter-sound correspondences.
- Read a few common exception ('tricky') words.

Writing

- Use some of their print and letter knowledge to write words and short captions.
- Form lower case and capital letters correctly.

Communication and Language

- Understand 'why' questions like: "why do you think The Evil Pea chased them?"
- Know many rhymes, be able to talk about familiar books, and be able to tell a long story, describing events in some detail.
- Understand how to listen carefully and why listening is important.

Key text: 'Supertato' by Paul Linnet and Sue Hendra

Reception Learning Leaflet Spring Term Two 2025



Welcome to our Reception Learning Leaflet for the second half of the Spring term. This page, along with our enquiry organiser, will give you all the information you need in order to support your child in Class 1 and Class 2 this term. We have many exciting things planned, beginning with our UK Games Sparky Start Day.

Our Geography focus for this half term will be:

'The United Kingdom' (The U.K)

Phonics



Through our daily phonics lessons, we will learn to:

- Use letters to communicate meaning, representing sounds correctly and in sequence.
- Write our name and other things such as labels, captions.
- Link sounds to letters, naming and sounding letters
- Read some letter groups that each represent one sound and say sounds for them – digraphs and trigraphs.
- Continue to recognise and say the phonemes: s a t p i n m d g o c k c k h b f f e u r l l s s w x y v j z z z qu sh ch the ng ee or igh ai oa ar
- Learn new phonemes: long and short oo er ur ow oi

PSHE



This term children will learn to:

- Identify different emotions in themselves and other people
- Understand the different ways in which people express and show emotions
- Explore what causes emotions in themselves and other people.
- Develop an understanding of how our feelings affect the way we behave.
- Explore simple ways of making themselves feel better when they experience an uncomfortable feeling
- Explore ways of helping other people feel better when they experience uncomfortable feelings.

Homework



Homework will be sent home each week via **Tapestry** and consist of challenges (linked to current learning) that your child can enjoy and present in their own way. It will be posted as a joint observation on Tapestry each **Friday** and needs to be completed and uploaded by you as an individual observation for your child by the following **Wednesday**. Please support and encourage your child when they are doing their homework, although it should primarily be their own work. All work will be viewed by their class teacher(s) and comments may include numbers in boxes, depending on the effort that has been made. Your child would also significantly benefit from daily reading with you at home. Please share real books as well as the online Bug Club books. Please feel free to post videos, photos and comments of their reading on Tapestry too!