



Reception Curriculum Information
Summer Term 2018
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Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We are working hard to promote general independence in preparation for Year 1. Please encourage your child to walk into class independently and carry their own bags and coats in to school.

We are promoting co-operative play and will be setting up challenges for the children to complete as a team. This will also encourage the children to use our values of co-operation, independence and determination.

Communication, Language and Literacy

We are working on asking and answering 'how' and 'why' questions about the world around us. We will be encouraging children to have discussions and investigate the world around them and use a variety of new topic words.

Physical Development

Throughout the summer term, we are encouraging the development of good core stability and balance. This will be done through a variety of gymnastics activities and gross motor activities outside. We are lucky enough to now have weekly P.E. sessions which are led by our P.E. coaches - Coach Ryan and Coach Dillon. They will be taking each class every Monday afternoon to support the children with their physical development.

Literacy

We are now at the point in the year where we are encouraging children to use their phonics knowledge to write sentences independently. In the same way that we have been doing all year, we are encouraging children to memorise tricky words and apply them when writing.

Mathematics

We are beginning the term by re-capping 2D and 3D shapes and sequencing them in patterns. We will also be encouraging the children to count forwards and backwards from a given number between 1-20. We are re-capping adding and subtracting 2 single-digit numbers. For the children who are ready, we will be exposing them to numbers up to 100 and encouraging them to identify the numbers that are one/two more/less than a given number up to 10 (with the support of a number line).

Understanding the World

Our topic over the first part of the term is 'People Who help Us' and we are learning about the emergency services and people with significant roles in our lives. We are linking this up with our learning on British Values and how we can show respect to others.

During the second part of the term, we will be learning about travel and various cultures from around the world. We will be exploring traditions and customs from different countries.

Expressive Art and Design

We are encouraging the children to create collages using the natural materials in our environment. We will be creating pieces of art from leaves, sticks and other natural materials. We are also emphasising the importance of role play and encouraging the children to imagine and re-create roles and experiences in both indoor and outdoor play.

Staying Safe

As part of our learning on doctors and Nurses we are asking that all children **learn their home address off by heart**. This is so that in the event of an emergency, they can relay the necessary information to the emergency services. The children in Reception will be introduced to basic First Aid and shown how to care for minor injuries.

Guinea Pigs

We are very excited as we have kindly been given two guinea pigs called Ben and Jerry! The children in Reception will be responsible for feeding and caring for the guinea pigs and will also have the opportunity to stroke and cuddle them (under adult supervision). If your child has any allergies or you do not wish for your child to take part in caring for the guinea pigs, please let a member of staff know.

Outdoor P.E.

The children in Reception will begin outdoor P.E. during the summer term so please ensure that your child has their indoor **and** their outdoor P.E. kit. This includes:

- Black or blue tracksuit bottoms
- Black or blue tracksuit top
- Black plimsolls
- House colour t-shirt

Snacks

Fresh fruit and vegetables are the only snack permitted for children to bring to school. **For safety reasons, if your child brings grapes to school, please ensure that they are sliced and not whole.** A reminder that we are a 'Nut Free School'. There are children in the school who have severe nut allergies so please ensure that any food in lunch boxes or any birthday treats are nut free.

Reading at Home

Please ensure that your child reads their levelled reading book at home with an adult at least three times a week. We are now at the stage in the year where we are preparing the children for the transition into year 1 and we are doing everything we can to ensure that they are equipped with all the necessary skills needed for the Year 1 curriculum.

Please also ensure that your child brings their reading bag in with them on their designated day.

Topic Overview

Here is an outline of the learning opportunities taking place over the summer term. Please note – this plan is subject to change at any time!

Date	Topic	Topic Linked Event	Tricky Word	Mathematics
16 th -20 th April	Police	Visit from the police 18 th April	have	More/less
23 rd -27 th April	Firefighters	Visit from Green Watch 24 th April	so	Addition
30 th April-4 th May	Doctors , Nurses and Paramedics	First Aid with Mrs Berry	do	Subtraction
7 th -11 th May	Chefs	Merryhills Masterchef (Reception)	some	Sharing
14 th -18 th May	Dentists		come	Doubling
21 st -24 th May (4 day week)	Vets		little	Halving
Half Term				
5 th -8 th June (4 day week)	Dinosaurs		were	Size and weight
11 th -15 th June	Dinosaurs	Visit to Knebworth		Number
18 th -22 nd June	Under the Sea	Summer visit to Lonsdale Drive Open Space	there	Pattern
25 th -29 th June	Under the Sea		when	Pattern and Number
2 nd -6 th July	Around the World	Visits to year 1	out	Routines through time
9 th -13 th July	Around the World	Visits to year 1	what	Number
16 th -20 th July	Explore Water	Visits to year 1	Re-cap all tricky words	Re-cap all learning on Number