

WELCOME BACK!

We hope you all had a nice break.

This Spring term we have two exciting topics for the children. Firstly we are finding out all about animals in Spring 1. In Spring 2 we will learn about the different people who help us both in school and outside of school.

YEAR RECEPTION PUPILS AND PARENTS

During your time in Reception we will expect you and your child to:

- ◆ Talk is the most important thing you can do with your child. Take time every day to find out about what your child learned in school.
- ◆ Always encourage your child to put in 100% effort.
- ◆ Aim to have 100% attendance (research shows that there is a direct link between fantastic end of year results and extremely high attendance).
- ◆ Pupils should be kind and considerate to everyone.
- ◆ Read with your child at home every night.
- ◆ Practise reading and writing high frequency words with your child
- ◆ Remind your child to look after their own things.
- ◆ Make sure your child wears the correct uniform with the appropriate footwear.
- ◆ Bring in spare clothes in case your child gets wet during play.

I will be learning...

Communication and Language

We will be learning to develop our skills in:

Listening and Attention, Understanding and Speaking. We will be learning to use a wide range of vocabulary to be able to speak clearly and confidently when communicating.

LITERACY

We will be learning to:

Read the 45 Reception high frequency words and begin to write them.

Blend the sounds in words to read them "using Fred Talk."

Use these skills in reading simple books



Mathematical Development

We will be learning to:

Compare groups of objects

Combining two groups

Exploring number bonds to 10

2D and 3D shapes



TOPIC We will be learning about

Animals and Dinosaurs

different types of animals; where they live; what they eat; exploring dinosaurs

People who help us

Who works at our school? How do they help us? What jobs do they do?

SCIENCE

We will learn to talk about similarities and differences in relation to places, objects, materials and living things.

We will talk about how animals are different from each other and how they live. We will talk about how animals survive in different climates

Physical Development

We will be learning to develop our fine motor skills, to support us develop the skills to write and manipulate objects and resources to construct effectively. Furthermore, we will be working in the outdoors to develop our gross motor skills. In addition we will be working towards becoming more independent in managing our personal self care and hygiene.

Personal Social and Emotional Development

This term we will be talking about what we are good at and what makes us special. We will also be learning to manage our feelings and behaviour as well as working on developing our self confidence and self awareness.

Expressive Arts and Design

I.C.T. Art & D.T. Music

For computing we will be getting familiar with using a laptop. We will learn how to move things on the screen using the trackpad and click the buttons to make things happen. In art we will be exploring the world of colour and colour theory with a study of the colour wheel. They will be experimenting with a variety of mark making tools and media. In DT we will be practising many different skills, such as cutting, joining and designing. We are learning to sing and use percussive instruments in a loud, quiet, slow and fast way in music.

Events planned...

What trips/ visits from people outside are we doing this term and when?

This term we will be taking the children to Mudchute Farm as part of our animals topic.

Azure Class: 30th January 2020

Red Class: 28th January 2020

Yellow Class: 27th January 2020

We will also have a visit from our Lollipop man, Mored, to find out how he helps us cross the road.

- We will also have a focus on FOOD during Science Week! Parents are invited to a workshop on **13th February 2020 at 9:30am**. This will really support children to develop their technology skills.

- On **January 29th at 2.45pm** we have a workshop on 'Reading with your child at home' to share with you the work we have started in reading in class

- We have our termly special books event on **Thursday 19th March at 2.30pm**. It would be great to see you there looking at your child's special book

After school clubs:

Your class teacher will provide you with details of the clubs that Reception children are invited to attend.

Assessment

Reception children will be assessed during the Spring Term. The purpose of this is to identify their next learning steps and to allow us to provide them with the best possible opportunities at school and at home.

Things you will need in Reception

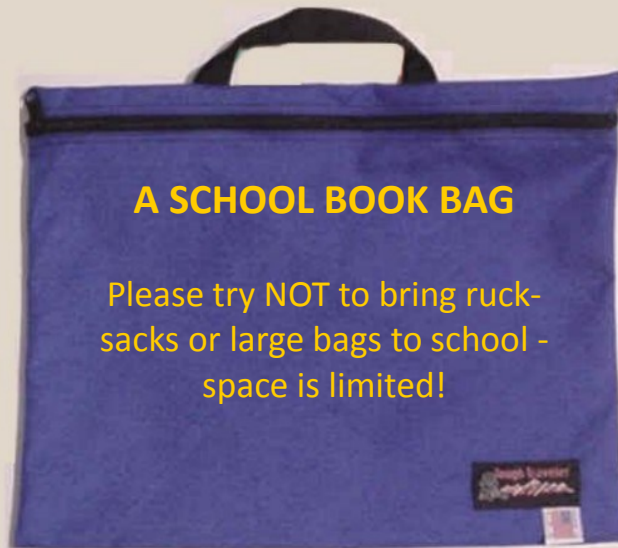


SCHOOL SHOES

Plimsolls or lace-ups. Trainers can be worn, as long as they are completely black.

SPARE CLOTHES

In case children get wet or have a toileting accident please provide a bag of spare clothes.



Yusuf

Maida

Please **remember** to label everything with your name – especially sweatshirts, PE kits and coats!



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