

## Useful websites

These websites are pupil friendly, containing fun, interactive games to develop Maths and Literacy skills.



<http://www.educationcity.com>

<https://www.mini-mash.com/>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/websites/eyfs>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/stories>

<http://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/freeIndex.htm>

Also don't forget to sign up for Marvellous Me, so we can share your child's achievements with you!



Over the year we will be celebrating children's achievements at home as well as school. We look forward to hearing about what makes you proud of your child.

Thank you for  
your support!



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Reception  
Spring Term  
2023



## Welcome to Spring Term in Reception.

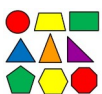
This term we will be building on the children's achievements from Autumn Term.



We will be having lots of fun exploring our inside and outside environments. In Spring 1, our focus will be on winter and how it affects our lives and the environment. We will then look at the changes in seasons and look at moving and growing throughout Spring 2.

In **Literacy** this term we will be reading a variety of stories, such as 'Kipper's Snowy Day', 'Percy the Park Keeper: One Snowy Night', 'The Gruffalo', 'Superworm', 'Owl Babies' and 'Owl, Bat, Bat, Owl'.

The children will have the opportunity to re-tell the story, write labels, letters and invitations and prayers. We will also be looking at a range of non fiction books about animals.



In **Maths** we will be investigating number by counting, matching numerals to quantities, and counting objects reliably. We will look at adding and subtracting and begin to look at sharing. In our shape, space and measure work, we will be building our knowledge about shapes and looking for them in the world around us. We will also be looking at measuring length, weight and capacity. As well as developing our understanding of spatial awareness.



For our **Understanding the World** focus, we will initially be looking at Winter and how it affects our environment. We will be going on 'Winter Walks', using our senses to explore Forest School and the changes that are occurring and investigate nocturnal animals. We will then look at how plant and animals grow; including insects. At the start of the term, we will explore changes in humans and how we have all changed since we were a baby.



For our **Expressive Art and Design** we will be using a variety of media and materials to create art work, such as; collages, sketches, printing and computer designs. We will continue to explore how we can change colours and what happens when colours are mixed together, as well as beginning to make independent choices when manipulating and using a range of media to create our final pieces. We will also be expressing ourselves through music and we have weekly singing lessons.

In **Physical Development** we will be exploring ways of moving and creating our very own winter dances. The children will continue to practise their fine motor skills throughout many activities during the day.

In **PSED** we will be continuing to build on positive relationships in school and our understanding of children's rights. We will also be looking at setting our own goals and at how we can stay healthy.



In **Worship** we will be listening to Bible stories and saying our daily Reception prayers. Later in the term, we will begin to look at the Easter story and the celebrations prior to Easter.

## Notice Board

Please can you continue to support your child by taking opportunities at home to practice their high frequency words (the coloured word lists in their Reading Records). Alongside this, cutting skills and writing their full name.  
Thank you!



Please continue to share books with your child—school books or their favourite books from home. Record when you have read together in their Reading Record and send their reading book, diary and book bag into school every day.



Children will need to wear their PE kit on a **Monday** and **Friday**. We also request that where possible, a **pair of wellies** can be kept in school for Forest School and outdoor walks.

Please ensure your child has a warm waterproof coat every day in school as we take our learning outside whatever the weather. Could you please encourage your child to dress independently, including taking their coat on and off.

Many Thanks  
The Reception Team

