Curriculum Information – Reception Class Autumn 1 2024

Hello boys and girls! A warm welcome to our new Nursery and Reception boys and girls starting school for the first and a to our reception class, returning back to school after a long summer break. We are so excited for this half term and we have so many things to look forward to!

I hope you have all been safe and well and have had a lovely summer break.

Don't forget to send in all your family observations using the 'Evidence Me' app as we love to see what other learning experiences your child is experiencing.

A few points to remember:

Please bring in book bags only (no rucksacks)
 Please bring in wellies in for the children to keep in school

• Please bring in a water bottle for your child to have - please label

 It is really important that all clothing and belongings are labelled with your child's name. This will avoid any items being lost.

TOY FUND!

We love to keep resources nice and be able to buy resources when children have particular interests. We would like to ask for a donation of 50p a week for your child. This 50p would go towards new toys and learning resources for your children. This donation would be greatly appreciated if you are able to contribute. You can bring the 50p in weekly or if you would prefer to donate for the half term that is also fine.

Many thanks



The Foundation Stage Team

RE	<i>Our Class Saint this year is St Joseph</i> We will be learning all about St Joseph throughout the year and we will be celebrating his Feast Day on the 21 st March.
2	This half term we will be learning about two very special units within our R.E.
	Creation – The children will be introduced children to God as Creator of all that they see around them and the idea of giving thanks.
	Special celebrations - This unit will raise the children's awareness of occasions for celebration, particularly marriage. That celebrations are happy occasions which may include prayers.

English	We will explore many texts throughout this half term, some our focus texts will
5	include:
	The Colour Monster, Brown bear, Brown bear, Peace at last, colour books, emotion books
	Writing focus:
	Nursery – Exploring with mark making tools and beginning to make marks and talk
	about them.
	Reception – To draw recognisable shapes and talk about their drawings, to form some
	recognisable letters (letters in their name)
Phonics	Nursery – We will begin to explore Phase 1 phonics looking closely at:
	 Aspect 1: Environmental Sounds.
	 Aspect 2: Instrumental Sounds.
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Bug Club	
	Once these graphemes have been taught the children will begin to have a phonics
	book.
Maths	Nursery - We will be beginning this half term by looking at:
	• Colours
	 Sorting (colours/shapes/sizes/amounts/numerals)
	 Matching (colours/shapes/sizes/amounts/numerals)
123	Reception – We will be beginning this half term by looking at:
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	We will also be looking at recognising numbers and the formation of numbers
•	likes and dislikes.
of the World	We will look at the people we care for and love and who is in our community.
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->> >>->->	Roleplay areas:
	• Indoor - Homecorner - The children will have the opportunity to roleplay
	 Outdoor - Colour lab - we will explore colours in our environment and the
	colours we begin to see in Autumn. We will colour mix and use water and
	materials.
	We like to understand our children's interests and use these within our play
	and learning.
Bug Club Phonics Maths	 book. Nursery - We will be beginning this half term by looking at: Colours Sorting (colours/shapes/sizes/amounts/numerals) Matching (colours/shapes/sizes/amounts/numerals) Reception - We will be beginning this half term by looking at: Numbers to 5 (counting, quantities, more, less, subitise) 2D shapes and 3D shapes We will also be looking at recognising numbers and the formation of numbers This half term we will begin by looking at ourselves, our families, our feelings and ou likes and dislikes. We will look at the people we care for and love and who is in our community. We will begin to learn about Our Church and our special school family. We will also begin to explore the first signs of Autumn and what we can see, feel, touch and smell! Using our senses to explore this season. Roleplay areas: Indoor - Homecorner - The children will have the opportunity to roleplay alongside their friends to take on roles around the home, problem sovle and work together. Outdoor - Colour lab - we will explore colours in our environment and the colours we begin to see in Autumn. We will colour mix and use water and materials. Pop up roleplays - these are roleplays that inetrest our children, this might mean we have a hairdressers, a builders yard, doctors, school and many more We like to understand our children's interests and use these within our play

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Creative	 Outdoor Roleplay: colour lab We will be joining different materials using resources in our classroom.
	 Exploring the artist Kandinsky, looking at colour and colour mixing.
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	 Osing paint, arawings and mixed media to create pieces of art and design focused around - colour, Autumn, bonfire
Physical	Dough Disco - Squiggle while you wiggle
,	Jumping and Balancing - using one leg
	Fine motor opportunities – threading, playdoh, using tweezers and scissors Gross motor opportunities – building, moving big resources, working together, riding
	trikes and scooter, accessing large outdoor equipment.
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● P.E.	on and taking off coat/shoes/wellies
	P.E - Day to be confirmed - Children will be focusing on the different ways we
	can travel – jump, walk, run and focusing on balancing.
	Please bring P.E kits into school.
Magic Moments	Please continue to send in "Magic Moments" using the evidence me app when
evidence	you feel that your child has learnt anything new as this will allow us to
	provide next steps in their learning.
(Simple)	
Reading	Each week the children will have a focus story, a rhyme of the week (these will be found in our weekly parent newsletter)
******	The children will also bring home a library book each week (Wednesday) . This will need to be returned each week. The children will choose their own library book.
	Nursery – Library books and schools diaries will be sent in book bags.
	Reception – Library book, picture book and school diary.
	Please read school box at least 3x weekly and sign school diary.
Class Target	Nursery class target
<u></u>	Listen and respond to my name and one instruction
	Reception class target
	To form some of the letters correctly in my name
Freddie Fox	'Freddie the Fox'
	Our class mascot is Freddie the Fox! Freddie is also hiding somewhere in our
	classroom and he loves to look out for children following our golden rules!
	Freddie will go home for the weekend with a different child each week. You can write down all about your weekend in his diary and you can even stick in pictures!

Diary Dates	Wednesday 11 th September - RSE workshop for parents - 2:30pm
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	Week beginning – 23 rd September - 1:1 reading sessions with for parents and class teachers (times to be confirmed)
	Friday 4 th October - Creation day
	Friday 4 th October – Watch me learn
	Week beginning 7 th October - National Kindness Week/World Mental Health week