



Reception Class Newsletter

Autumn Term 2

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

Welcome back!

Curriculum Overview

Our two topic projects this term are called 'Once Upon a Time' and 'Winter Wonderland'. Our main project is called 'Once Upon a Time'. This project supports children to develop a love of stories and reading. It encourages children to learn, retell and act out familiar and traditional tales. Our mini topic is called 'Winter Wonderland'. This project teaches children about the changes that happen during winter, including the types of weather associated with winter. It also explores places that have snow all year round and the types of animals that live there.

Phonics - In phonics we are continuing to learn a new sound each day. We are also learning to blend and segment words to begin to read.

Maths - In maths we will be continuing to use numbers 1-5. Finding 1 more/less, learning to subitise and learn our number bonds to 5.

RE - We will focus on the topic 'Special people to me'. This will also introduce people who are important to members of a religious group e.g. Jesus, vicar, imam etc.

Music - In our music lessons we will be looking at the topic 'My Stories' continuing to learn action rhymes.

PE - Our PE lesson is every Thursday at 9am, long hair needs to be tied up and earrings removed please.

As Christmas approaches we will start rehearsing our short class Nativity, you will find out more information soon!

Reading

Home readers - Please write in your child's reading record book each time your child reads their school book, remember our expectation is to be reading at home **three times a week**. Children's books will only be changed when they are confident with their book.

Library books - Please remember to return library book each Friday.

Links with home

Tapestry accounts - We are really pleased with how Tapestry is going, this term we would like to encourage you to post observations from home of exciting things your child is doing out of school. This could be reading a story, swimming, going on an Autumn walk, or learning a new skill! We would love to hear all about and celebrate the things children achieve at home.

General Notices

Birthday- Your child can come in their own clothes on their birthday. If their birthday falls at the weekend or a school holiday, please choose the day closest to it.

Water bottles - Please only send plain water in these.

Labelling clothes- Please ensure that you have labelled all your child's belongings, including P.E. kit, school uniform, bags, bottles, coats and shoes.

Weather - In Reception class we go outside whatever the weather! Please bring a raincoat every day.

Kind regards,

Mrs Strellis, Mrs McGlynn and Miss Gamwell