Welcome to Reception

Our Core Subjects

In **English,** this term our focus will be building on our phonics skills and developing sentence structure and story writing. We will be thinking about describing characters and story settings using adjectives.

In **Maths**, our focus will be on the children knowing their number bonds to 5 and using number to add and subtract. We will learn how to count forwards and backwards and use their number facts when carrying out the 4 main calculations.

In **Phonics**, our focus will be moving through the Read Write Inc scheme. Some children will start to be moving through the colours and bringing home reading books. Some of the children will start to be learning their set 2 sounds as well as refreshing their set 1 sounds knowledge. We will be focussing on blending sounds to read and segmenting words to spell.

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Topic

The **Topic** this term will be **'Fantasy, Adventures and Fairytales'.** Each week the children will focus on a different traditional tale and identifying different materials used within the stories through Science experiments.

Forest School

The children will also continue their learning outside as well as in our forest school area. Forest school will be on every **Wednesday**. Please ensure your child comes into school wearing their school jumper, black or blue joggers, suitable coat, wellies or old trainers that can get muddy as well as when appropriate apply sun cream.

Music

During Summer term, the children will be carrying on learning new songs and learning how to play the glockenspiels.

RW

Our focus in Religion and World views, will be 'Special stories and why they are important to different religions' and 'Special places and why they are special'

PE

During PE, we will be learning about fundamental skills such as running, jumping, skipping and hopping.

PSHE

During Summer 1, the children will learn about 'Relationships' building positive and healthy relationships. In Summer 2, 'Changing Me" where the children will be learning different strategies to cope positively with change.

Summer Term in Reception

Welcome back to our last but most important term of an academic year before children move up to Year 1. We trust you had an enjoyable and restful holiday!

This year, the Reception team is:

Mrs. Everritt (Class 1), Mrs. Chadwick (Class 2), Mrs Jones, Miss MacDonald, Miss Sandhu, Miss Cooper.

Doors open to pupils at 8.40am and pupils will come straight to class ready for registration at 8.50am. Any pupils who are late, must report to the School Office.

Early Years Framework

In Reception, there are 7 areas of learning which we focus on every day throughout the year. We use these areas of learning to design a curriculum to support our children's learning. There are Literacy and Maths which are specified above and these following areas of learning:

- **Communication and Language-** The development of children's spoken language underpins all seven areas of learning and development.
- **Personal, Social and Emotional Development** - Children will be supported to manage emotions, develop a positive sense of self, set themselves simple goals and have confidence in their own abilities.
- **Physical Development-** This supports the children to pursue happy and healthy lives. Gross motor skills provide the foundation for developing healthy bodies and social and emotional wellbeing. Fine motor skills help with hand eye coordination which is later linked to early literacy.
- **Understanding the world-** Guiding children to make sense of their physical world and their community.
- **Expressive Arts and Design-** The development of children's artistic and cultural awareness supports their imagination and creativity.

PE Kits

Pupils are expected to wear the correct PE kit on **Friday.**

The correct PE kit is:

- White t-shirt (plain or with Woden logo only)
- Dark blue tracksuit bottoms
- Dark blue sweatshirt (plain or with Woden logo only)
- Trainers

Children are not to wear their own clothes or sports wear with other logos for school. We would like our pupils to really take pride in their appearance as well as our school PE kit.

Please ensure your child's **clothes** are all **named**, to help us to reduce lost property. Your child should also bring a **named water bottle** to school. There is fresh water available all day, in each classroom.

Reading

Listening to your child read aloud as often as possible will support them with their reading, writing and spelling. The benefits are huge. Please write a comment and sign your child's diary every time you hear them read so that we can track the progress they are making at home.

Useful websites:

https://topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/hit-the-button - Great for Maths games such as counting and number recognition.

https://www.phonicsplay.co.uk/- A variety of letter recognition and listening games.
https://www.oxfordowl.co.uk- Read Write Inc letter formation resources and free reading books.

https://go.educationcity.com – A variety of English, Maths and Phonics interactive games.

Home Learning Tasks

Home learning tasks will be set, which are based on learning that has already taken place in school. This means that your child can complete them with greater independence. We do ask that you check your child's home learning tasks to ensure they are completed to a good standard and returned to school on time. Thank you for your continued support.