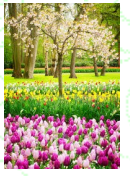




Spring 2 - Reception



Welcome back. We hope you had a lovely break and we are excited for all our new learning this half term!

Our topic this half term is Long Ago! We will be focusing on old houses, transport and toys and discussing how they are different to things we use now. We will also be talking about our Spring 1 trip to Temple Newsam, looking at pictures of the house and recalling some of the old toys we saw on our visit. In our understanding the world sessions, the children will have the opportunity to look at and handle old toys and talk about what toys they like to play with now. Our key texts this half term are 'A House That Once Was', 'Mr Grumpy's Motor Car' and 'Lost in the Toy Museum' which we will be reading and basing our topic and provision learning on. We will be supporting the children to write simple sentences, with a focus on children using their 'Fred fingers' more independently when writing.

In maths we will be learning about length, time and numbers to 10. We will also be comparing amounts, looking at the composition of numbers and learning some number bonds. We will be starting to record more of our thinking in books, looking at how to write number sentences correctly.

Reading

Reading continues to be a priority. We ask that you read with your child at least 3x a week at home and write a short comment in their reading record.

All children now have a reading for pleasure book and a book that they can read independently using their phonics knowledge. Please encourage your children to spot the special friends, Fred talk (sound out the word) and then blend the sounds together to read the word. You can support your child by helping them with any sounds they are unsure of and modelling how to blend the sounds together to read the word e.g 'c-a-t cat. f-i-sh fish'.

We also ask that you practice the weekly learnt sounds in phonics with your child by scanning the QR codes sent home each week.

PE

Reception have PE on **Thursdays** and our focus for this half term is Speed, Agility, Travel.

Please ensure you send your child to school in PE kit and trainers every Thursday. If you have lost any items of your PE kit, please talk to a member of staff.

Key Dates

18th March - Reception child measurement programme.

18th March - RB/6B trip to the library.

21st March - Red Nose Day

31st March - Eid Festival - More details to follow.

1st April - RA/6A trip to the library.

4th April - Break up. Return to school 21st April.

School Uniform

All children need to come to school in their full school uniform each day. As the weather is changeable, ensure you send your child to school with a warm coat and suitable footwear every day. **Please can all items be labelled with your child's name.** This also applies to hats/scarves/gloves. If your child misplaces an item of clothing, it is much easier to locate if it is named. We will put any lost property outside Reception at the end of each week so please take a look if your are missing anything. If you have any problems regarding uniform please talk to a member of staff.

Home Learning

Each child in Reception has a home learning book which will contain activities for your child to do at home linked to their current learning. Please spend time with your child helping them to complete the activities and talk to them about their learning.



Scan for RA

Activities will also be put on Class Dojo.



Scan for RB