



Summer Term 1 2017

Dear Parents

Welcome back to another exciting term. Below is a summary of what we will be covering in each area of learning.

Literacy



This half term we will be refining our skills in all areas of literacy. We will be focusing on letter formation, capital letters, full stops and finger spaces when writing. In phonics we will be consolidating our knowledge of digraphs and trigraphs and moving on to reading and writing a more advanced range of words.

Mathematics



As always, number recognition, ordering and counting with numbers to 20 will continue to be a focus this half term. The children will also be comparing quantities and solving problems related to time and money. They will be consolidating their knowledge of 3D shapes and focusing on counting forwards and backwards to solve number problems.

Physical Development



In our outdoor area we will be encouraging the children to participate in large scale construction activities. Fine motor skills will continue to be developed through a variety of activities in class. Gymnastics and ball skills will be the focus of our PE lessons this half term.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development



Turn taking, sharing, listening, considering others feelings and following our school promise will remain a focus this half term. Children will also be thinking about conflict and ways of resolving conflict during their circle time sessions.

Understanding the World

This term the children will be helping to upload images to the class blog and they might even write their own blog post! We will also be looking closely at the changes in our environment with a focus on the tadpoles in our school pond.

Independence

All children are now able to manage hanging up coats etc independently and do this several times during the school day. In order to encourage this independence and ensure they are ready for Year 1 we are asking you to continue to allow your child to come into school independently.

Other notes

- PE sessions will continue this term and usually take place on a Monday and Wednesday. Please ensure that your child's PE kit is kept in school for the whole week as days can change.
- Reading books will be changed weekly, the day may alter due to activities so please keep books in school bag at all times.
- Leona Trail is joining our team this term, to complete her final teaching placement.

If you have any questions, queries or concerns please don't hesitate to come and speak to us.
The Reception Team

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