

Reception Learning Adventure

This term in Reception, we will continue to support every child in exploring self-regulation strategies. Throughout the Summer Term, we will nurture the children's love of reading, with the hope of organising more local trips to the library to enrich their experiences. In mathematics, we will build on our existing skills by beginning to apply our knowledge to simple equations, helping children develop confidence in early problem-solving. Recently, the children have thoroughly enjoyed learning about a "Country of the Week." We would love to continue this. please let us know if your child has any personal connections to countries we have not yet explored.

Communication and Language

Communication and Language will remain a key focus throughout the Summer Term in Reception. We will support children in developing their speaking and listening skills through storytelling, role play, and group discussions. At home, you can help by engaging in meaningful two-way conversations. Encourage your child to express their thoughts, wishes, and feelings in full sentences. Supporting imaginative play will also build confidence in communication.

Understanding the World

During the Summer Term, we will continue to build a deeper understanding of the world around us. Reception have enjoyed learning about the different countries our friends in class were born in or have family connections to. We will build on this by strengthening our knowledge of different countries. Children will begin to explore the seven continents and learn to locate them on a world map. This will help develop their understanding of the wider world. This learning will also link to Religious Education lessons, where we will explore different religions and cultures.

Personal, Emotional and Social Development (PSED)

Throughout Reception, children's personal, social, and emotional development remains a prime area of learning. While labelling emotions continues to be a key aspect of building emotional intelligence, this term we will enhance children's self-regulation strategies. Children will be supported to understand and manage their feelings in different situations. We will also focus on developing independence and confidence in social interactions. Equally, children will be guided in resolving conflicts within their friendships. They will be encouraged to use the tools and strategies available in the environment.



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Physical Development

During the Summer Term, we will explore the effects exercise has on our bodies. Children will learn about the importance of staying active and the fuel our bodies need. We will begin to understand how exercise affects the heart.

Characteristics of Effective Learning

- Engagement** – Showing curiosity and interest in the world around them.
- Motivation** – Concentrating for longer and enjoying new learning.
- Creativity & Critical Thinking** – Sharing ideas and trying different ways to solve problems.

Phonics

During the Summer Term, we will be building our confidence in recognising more high-frequency words, while also continuing to apply digraphs in our writing.

Children will continue to practise blending sounds to read words and segmenting words when writing each day. Phonics remains a key focus to support early reading and writing development. Parents can support at home by practising phonics sounds, reading every night, and encouraging children to blend and segment words. Sharing books and talking about stories will also help to strengthen their phonics skills.

Literacy

In our Literacy sessions, we will focus on children using their phonics knowledge to write simple, short sentences. Children will be encouraged to apply their phonics skills when spelling words. They will practise forming short sentences in a range of meaningful contexts. The classroom will support and encourage writing through engaging and accessible resources.

Mathematics

This term, Reception will build on our knowledge of number bonds by introducing simple equations. Children will learn how numbers can be written using addition and subtraction symbols.

Key Dates

- **4th May Bank Holiday**
- **25 May– 29th May Half term**
- **9th July Transition Day**
- **26th June 2pm –4pm Summer Fair**
- **17th July 1.30pm finish, End of Term**

