

Reception Newsletter

Welcome Back!

We all hope you had a lovely Easter break and that you are looking forward to this next 'busy' half-term in Reception. It is lovely to see the children looking excited as they return to school. Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct uniform at all times. We require your child to wear black shoes without any colour adornment. Furthermore, please ensure that their name is in all of their clothes and coats. Most children wear the same sized clothes and on PE days jumpers and trousers can easily get mixed up. If you have any concerns or questions regarding your child, please do not hesitate to speak to a member of staff.

Mr Jones, Mrs Place, Miss Thompson, Miss Form,



As we move into the Summer term, the children are going to be

exposed to stronger sunlight. Please can you be prepared to protect your child during the upcoming sunny days by having sun cream at home to apply to your child's skin before they come to school. A good idea would be for your child to keep a sun hat or cap in their book bag to wear during playtimes and lunchtimes. Also, children are welcome to bring a water bottle (clearly labelled with their name) into school as although we do provide water, many children want more drinks as the weather warms up.

TOPIC REVIEW

Last half term our topic was, 'Will you read me a story?'

Through this topic, we experienced a wide range of traditional stories. These included: The Three Little Pigs; Jack and the Beanstalk; Cinderella; The Ginger Bread Man. We learnt about good and bad characters and story settings. The children learnt to use and apply story language such as 'Once upon a time' and 'Happily ever after.' Etc. We used puppets to help retell the stories. These stories offered a stimulus for the children's writing. As part of this topic, we were visited by a local librarian; who provided each child with a special book for home. The topic culminated in 'The Easter Story'. We talked and wrote about key events in the story.

Curriculum

Our topic this half term is:
Are We There Yet?

English	Non-fiction/fiction books about vehicles and transport. Children make their own information books.
Maths	Addition and subtraction; doubling and sharing; positional language; data handling; weight; 2D and 3D shapes.
Topic	Road Safety; Traffic Survey; Trip to Grosmont to ride on a steam train; Making vehicles with junk modelling and assorted materials:
ICT	Programming: Devising a sequence of instructions for use with 'Bee Bots.'
PE	Athletics/Games
Music	Nursery rhymes and traditional songs; Exploring rhythm, dynamics and timbre; Musical Composition.
SMSC and British Values	Working and playing harmoniously together; Showing respect for others.
RE	Holi - Hindu Festival of Spring.

If you have any questions about any part of the curriculum or how best to support your child, please speak to one of the year group teachers who will be happy to help.