



Reception Newsletter

Spring Term 1

Welcome back and we hope you have had a super Christmas break and New Year. Thank you for all your lovely gifts and your welcomed attendance to our Little Nativity. Please keep accessing our Tapestry Platform, which shares valued access to your child's learning at school. If there is anything you need assistance with, please do not hesitate to speak with the reception team. Thank you.

PSED

This half-term we are going to be exploring our school values of respect and being respectful. We are also using *My Happy Mind* and *Heart Smart* to understand appreciation and being helpful.

Maths

As mathematicians we are going to be recognising different representations of number 0-5, subitising and finding 1 more and 1 less.

Understanding the world

This half term we will have the opportunity to explore rockets and how they launch. Children will design, create, and test their rocket to see if it can fly? We will also be thinking all about Space facts and learning new information about the different planets in our solar system. We are also learning about the stories Jesus heard.

Physical Development

This half term we will be exploring games. We will aim to develop spatial awareness, fine and gross motor skills as using balls, bean bags and quoits. Key is working together as a team and participation.

Communication and Language

This half term there will be the opportunity for children to role play in our space rocket and space station. Our wellies have now become Space boots!

How you can help at home

Talk about Space related topics at home Visit a Space Museum to encourage children's interests Look at a wide variety of Space books both fiction and non-fiction.

Homework

Weekly homework consists of spelling, alternate maths, or literacy focus. Please use purple mash, virtual music link and Oxford Reading owl's eBooks. Homework to be complete and handed in each Tuesday.

Reading Books

Please read daily with your child and record comments into their reading record book. Books need to be brought into school daily.

. "The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more you learn, the more places you will go. Dr Seuss

P.E

This is each **Tuesday**. Your child can attend school in black joggers / leggings, black pumps, and a white t. shirt on P.E days.

Literacy

Literacy we will be exploring a range of books with a Space theme. Including *Whatever Next*, *How to Catch a Star*, *Aliens Love Underpants*. Orally retelling, sequence and being to write facts and stories. We will use different types of fiction and non-fiction include poems to support this topic.

Expressive Arts and Design

Our focus is painting skills, how to hold a fine and thick brush to create an effect. Mixing primary colours to create secondary. An excellent story to support this is *Mouse Paint* by Ellen Walsh. As musicians we are identifying pulse through the art of music.

Core Christian Value

Respect



Important Dates for the Diary

23rd January – Dental Nurse visit
10th February – Chinese New Year
12th February – Parent Project Rockets ready for showcase.
15th February - Reception Showcase for Parents





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Our Golden Rules:



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