

Reception Curriculum Overview

Autumn 2 - Celebrations

This half-term we will be thinking about different celebrations that we have with our families. We will be talking about our own cultures and beliefs and listening to others share theirs.

We are looking forward to hearing all about your family celebrations.



Dates

Christmas Carols video – Will be live on the Reception Google Site on Friday 11th December

Please make sure you know the date of your child's focus week and have written their consultation date and time on your calendar

Phonics Meeting for Parents – Friday 13th November at 1.30pm. Meeting link will be sent out to all Reception Parents.

Wednesday 16th December - Christmas Holiday 1:30 pm finish

Reminders

Labelling clothes - Please ensure that all clothes are clearly labelled with your child's name, including hats, scarves, coats, jumpers .

Home Learning – We have started setting weekly home learning on the Reception Google Site. Please make sure you are supporting your child complete this learning at home and email work or photos to the class email so we can celebrate their hard work in school.

Wow Moments- On Google Sites you will find a WOW moments template on the 'Let's Celebrate!' page. We would love to hear all about the special things that your child is doing at home so please use this to share events, celebrations and family occasions with us.

Reading – We are really pleased to have been able to start sending story books home weekly with the children. We encourage you to read with your child everyday to help them grow a real pleasure for reading.

Book Bags - Could you please ensure that your child's book bag is in school on Tuesdays and Fridays. New books will be sent out on a Tuesday and need to be returned on a Friday. We cannot send home or receive books on any other days.

Class email – Class emails are for sending your child's home learning only. Please direct all other queries to the school office.

Our World

As Historians we will be talking about events from our own lives linked to our work on celebrations and festivals. We will begin to understand that other children don't always enjoy the same things and will show sensitivity to our differences.

As Scientists we are going to think about the changes we see around us as the seasons change and explore these in our outdoor environment. We will compare our setting with the one in our text 'Blue Penguin'.

As talkers we are going to be encouraged to use language in class for many different purposes. We will be given opportunities to learn new vocabulary linked to our learning and will have a focus on developing our own narratives by connecting ideas or events.

Well-Being

As Religiously aware students we will enjoy sharing and talking about the traditions of our own family and that of others. We will learn about the Christian celebrations at Christmas and read 'The Nativity' in class to understand why Christians celebrate.

As Athletes we will be learning different outdoor games that require us to travel in different ways and on different parts of our body.

As Socially Aware Students we will be taking part in regularly circle times where we will explore our feelings and worries. We will use the book 'Bedtime for Monsters' to support this learning. We will also continue to work towards achieving our wristbands using our 'I CAN' booklets.

Futures

As Artists we will be exploring paint to create fireworks. We will be creating our own monsters and exploring different media to create different Christmas crafts.

As Musicians we will be using different instruments to make different sounds. We will learn the names of the instruments we use and increase our musical vocabulary. We will also learn new songs for Christmas.

As Technicians we are already confident in this technological world. This half term we will use small programmable toys called Bee Bots and explore how to programme them to move around. We will also begin to find out about how we can retrieve information from computers.

Standards

As Readers we are going to be reading some really exciting new books this half term including 'Bedtime for Monsters' and 'Blue Penguin'. These books will be used in class to support lots of our learning. We will also start weekly guided reading sessions and develop our skills in talking about the pictures in books. We have also started our daily phonics sessions and will begin using our sounds to read simple words and phrases.

As Writers we will be encouraged to write for different purposes and will be encouraged to start using our learnt letter sounds to write simple words to form very simple sentences.

As Mathematicians we will be recognising numerals for 1-10, finding one more and one less and using the language; more, less and fewer. We will also be beginning to use the language of time such as later, before, after, first, next etc.