



11th January 2017

Dear Parent / Carer,

Re: Reception Curriculum Letter: Spring term 1

Welcome to Reception!

This half term our main topics are Traditional Tales and Chinese New Year. The children have already started work on the Gingerbread Man and we will be continuing the Traditional Tales topic with Goldilocks and the 3 bears and then we finishing the term learning about Chinese New Year.

All of the work that the children will cover under these topics will be focused on the seven areas of the EYFS curriculum.

School Fund:

A contribution of £10 per term would be gratefully received; this will go towards cooking resources, messy play malleable materials and equipment to enhance children's learning in Reception. Please put the money in a sealed envelope with your child's name on and hand it in to your teacher. This is a change from our original 50p a week, and should be much more manageable for everyone, so many thanks.

Homework:

Please try and read with your child every day and use opportunities at home to count objects and recognise numbers. From week three your child will be taking home a letter formation sheet each week for you to practice at home. You can also encourage your child to write shopping lists, cards, invitations etc. Remember at this stage your child is just learning so any mark making should be praised.

Library

Your child will be going to the school library once a week. At the library they will be choosing a book to read at home.

RJM - Tuesday

RLS – Wednesday

RSR - Thursday

P.E kit:

Your child's P.E. kit (named shorts/jogging bottoms, tee shirt and plimsolls) should be in a named bag and in school for the half term. P.E is delivered by both the PE coaches and class teachers.

P.E is every **Tuesday**.

Dates for the diary:

Reading workshop – 19th January (3.30pm – 4pm) Crèche will be provided.

Phonics workshop – 26th January (3.30pm – 4pm) Crèche will be provided.

Family Friday - 10th February (9am – 10am) We would like to invite you in to class to spend some time engaging in some fun activities with your child. This will give you a fantastic opportunity to take part in their learning.

Other ways that you can help

Bring in any old clocks or watches for the children to investigate.

Continue to bring in junk modelling supplies and any old saucepans, cake tins, wooden spoons and kitchen utensils for our mud kitchen.

Donate any new or nearly new books for the class libraries.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher or our new EYFS lead Jessica Mendelssohn.

All the best Reception team.

