

How You can Help at home.



Reading

Reading books in reception and library books in nursery will continue to come home. Please make sure you read regularly and sign your child's reading record.



Writing

In class, we are focusing on learning to write our names and to correctly form the letters taught through phonics.

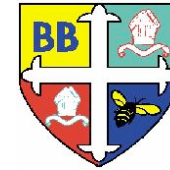
We discourage the children from copying or tracing letters, and encourage the formation of letters independently. If you're not sure how to encourage your child at home, please call in and see your child's teacher.

Mathematics

This half term we will be exploring patterns, shapes and capacity. We will be talking about patterns in the environment, patterns on our clothes and we will create patterns using lots of different resources. To help the children develop the language of capacity, at home you could bake cakes, make play dough...lots of weighing and measuring ingredients.

Assessment

Tapestry is our assessment tool and we are enjoying some of the information some of our parents have shared with us. **We would be grateful if all Nursery and Reception parents who are yet to sign up would call in to see the teachers with an email address and we can add you.** You will then be able to see your child's progress as it happens!

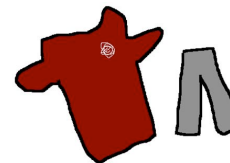


Nursery and Reception

Half Termly Newsletter 13th January 2017



We Work, We Play,



We Care, We Pray



Half Termly Overview of Work



Literacy: In Nursery and Reception, the children are exploring winter. What does it look like, feel like, what do we need to wear? WE are reading lots of books and this is providing the opportunity for independent writing.

We are also exploring a new country: Brazil - the animals, the food, the art, the music.

In both Nursery and Reception we will continue to sing nursery rhymes and number rhymes daily.



Mathematics - This term we will be:

- Continuing to count reliably with numbers from one to 5 in Nursery and 15 in Reception; and place them in order.
- Exploring patterns we can see around us, and making our own patterns.
- Using the language of capacity: how heavy is this? Which is lighter? Longer, smaller, taller, shorter.

Notices:



Snack and Fund

Children will be offered a healthy morning snack which children from both Nursery and Reception can access each morning in Nursery. A huge thank you to those of you who pay the £1 - Please ensure that you bring £1 to school on Monday mornings. This is used for purchasing snack and consumable materials e.g. play dough, prizes and baking ingredients.

Stay and Play

Every Thursday morning Nursery and Reception will be open from 8.30am for Parents to come in **with** their children to support and play with them, until 8.55am.



School Trips

We will be planning trips this half term. We are hoping to celebrate Chinese New Year, and we hope to visit a local mosque, Details will be sent nearer the time

We are collecting:

- Old pans, wooden spoons and metal serving spoons for the mud pie kitchen

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Phonics

This half term we will continue Letters and Sounds phonics Phase 1 and 2.

Phase 1- This will include tuning into sounds in the environment as well as in words.

Phase 2- Children will continue to progress through the phase 2 sounds

s,a,t,p,i,n,m,d,g,o,c,k,ck,e,u,r,b,f,h,l : we are now encouraging the children to apply these sounds into words.

Phase 1 is where the children in Nursery are developing their skills and phase 2 is where the Reception children are being taught although we are still practicing phase 1 games too.



RE

This half term the topic is 'stories Jesus told'



Computing - Reception will

continue to visit the ICT suite every week to practice logging on to the computers independently.



PE - Reception will be playing games and learning to samba this half term.

Your child needs a NAMED PE kit in school each week.



Homework

In Nursery and Reception, we send home challenges home. These are fun to do and can be done as part of your family adventures each weekend.

