



Foundation Stage 2 Newsletter: Autumn 1

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are delighted at how well all of the children have settled in to Reception. We are excited to share lots of new experiences with them and get to know them much better over the coming weeks and months.

Maths

We are getting to know what the children can do well already and what their next steps are. We will be following White Rose Mastery maths which encourages children to get a deeper understanding of number, shape and patterns. We will begin learning how to match and sort different numbers and objects. We will also be comparing amounts and exploring patterns.

Literacy

We will be reading a range of books to support our theme 'I wonder what makes us special'. We will be reading both story and fact books to help us learn about different families, cultures, likes, dislikes and many other ways we are all unique and special. In the classroom we will promote a love of reading. We will share stories special to the adults and create a cosy reading corner for the children.

Exploring Art and Design

We will be creating artwork based on our interests and fascinations. We will construct using a range of materials. We will explore different skills such as joining, cutting and mixing colours.

I wonder ... what makes us special.

Communication and Language

We will be continuing to develop the ability to listen during carpet time sessions. We will be learning to answer questions about a story and be able to predict what might happen next in the story.

Physical Development

We will focus on self-help skills using our fine motor skills, such as fastening coats and buttons. We will be doing crafts to challenge our cutting skills and outside we will be building obstacle courses to test our balance and coordination.

Understanding the World

We will talk about different celebrations and traditions. We will learn how people live their lives differently and talk about festivals.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

We will be learning how to behave safely in a classroom with all of our new friends. We will learn how to play kindly, follow instructions and talk about our feelings.

Our Place in Our World

We will be learning about how we live our lives and how this is the same and/or different to our friends.

Aspiring Entrepreneurs

We will continue to reflect on our work to ensure that we are able to improve it and see how we make it even better.

Healthy and Happy Living

We will continue to share our ideas in a range of different and imaginative ways. Allowing children to have a voice with their learning.

Inquisitive Investigators

We will encourage children to talk about what they see and hear and to make comments and ask questions.

Important information & Dates to remember:

- Tapestry is being set up so we can share videos and photographs of your children at school.
- Phonics Meeting: Monday 11th October 9am and 3.30pm. More information to follow.
- Parents Evening Wednesday 20th October and Thursday 21st. More information to follow.
- Reading books will be sent home Monday 27th September, changed and returned to your child the next day. Please read the information shared with you about Go Read.

Thank you for your continued support,
Miss Campbell, Miss Hutchinson and Mrs Sleet.