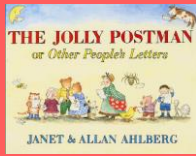


# Reception

Autumn 2  
2024



## Me and My World

This half term our topic has a history focus. The Jolly Postman makes his next visit to the witch. Witches and wizards will be our inspiration as we will learn about a significant individual, JK Rowling, the author of the Harry Potter books. We will explore a timeline of JK Rowling and her publication of Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone. Through short video clips we will discover how Harry finds out he is a wizard, what witches and wizards need for school, how Harry travels to school, and take part in our own sorting hat ceremony. As we dive into the world of Harry Potter, we will find out more about JK Rowling and some of the choices in her books. We will also compare a steam locomotive (similar to Hogwarts Express) to a modern train.

### **P.E. will be on Wednesday** this term.

Our focus is body movement and management. Children should arrive to school in PE kit each Wednesday.

PE Kit is plain black jogging bottoms/leggings/shorts, white/red t-shirt and trainers/plimsolls.

### Important Dates

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October - Lab Rascals.

Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> October - Halloween dress up day

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November - parent collaboration afternoon - details to follow

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December (PM) and Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December (AM) - EY Christmas Concert, more details to follow.

## Maths

### We will learn to;

- Count objects reliably to 10
- Subitise to 5
- Recall number bonds within 5, including using a part, part whole model.
- Correctly write numerals, 0-10
- Order numerals 0-10
- Recite to 20, then 100.
- Find one more of an amount, 10

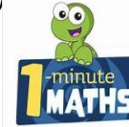
### How to help your child at home.

Counting objects

Identifying numbers on walks

Writing numerals 0-10 correctly

Accessing a free app by White Rose called One minute maths.



## Science and understanding the world.

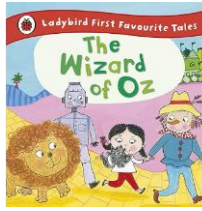
### We will;

- Explore what happens to our natural world in Winter.
- Engage with the 'Lab Rascals' enrichment day, creating potions and discovering reactions between materials.
- Learn about the celebration of Halloween.
- Learn how to stay safe on bonfire night.
- Learn about nocturnal animals.
- Learn about light and dark.
- Explore shadows.

## Literacy

This term our **writing** focus text is The Wizard of Oz. In our sequence of learning we will be writing.

- Our names
- Labels for images
- A character description
- A setting description
- A fact file



We will be having a big focus on letter formation. The children will have daily opportunities for writing and to further develop their fine motor skills.

**Phonics.** This year your child will be following the Little Wandle Phonics programme. Alongside this, your child will have opportunities to develop other skills needed for reading such as blending and segmenting. As their confidence and skills grow, they will be sent home with reading activities and/or books.

### **Reading at home**

As your child progresses through the phonics programme they will be sent home with decodable phonics books for them to read to you. These books will be accessed via the online Collins Hub. Hearing your child read at home is extremely important. Please listen to your child **read at least three times** a week. Daily reading makes a huge difference to progress!

