



Reception Overview: Spring Term



Literacy

We will use a variety of books, traditional tales and animation to inspire a love of drawing and writing!

The text we will be learning about are:



How you can help...

- Encourage any mark making at home – drawing pictures, colouring, chalks, crayons – link it to their interests.
- Practise oral blending (e.g. c a t = cat)

Understanding the World

We will compare toys from the past with toys we use in the present.

How you can help...

- Talk about the toys you used to play with when you were little.

How does a tadpole turn into a frog?

How you can help...

Maths



We will be teaching the composition and relationships of numbers to 10 including addition and subtraction. We will also focus on measure, incorporating length, weight and height. We also explore patterns.

How you can help...

- Try counting out items from around the home – can you match the correct numeral?
- Choose two groups of items and try adding them together using + and =. Take away from a group of objects using – and =.
- Who is the tallest and shortest person in your family?
- Can you create a pattern using two colours? Can you create a pattern using two shapes?

Expressive Arts & Design

We will be developing our knowledge on colour mixing and selecting colours for a purpose. We will be painting, printing and collaging.

We will use our focus on Lunar New Year to explore Asian music and art, and to create our own interpretations.

We will encourage performing songs, music and movement to develop children's expression and confidence.

Personal, Social & Emotional Development

We continue to revisit our school rules,

Be Kind

Be Brave

Be Safe

and link these to situations that the children may face. We use drama to act these out and find solutions together.

How you can help...

- Play games that require taking turns – we recommend games by Orchard Toys.
- Support children to be independent in their self-care (e.g. going to the toilet, putting on clothing and shoes etc).



Physical Development


This term, our PE lessons will be on a Monday and be taught by our school PE coach, Mr. Parnell.

This half term, the children will be practicing gymnastics skills and next half term, they will learn ball skills – throwing, catching and rolling.

How you can help...

- Get out and about to build your child's core strength – walking, running, soft play, park, scootering, biking will all help.



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Talk about how your child has changed over time. Look at pictures of them as a baby and discuss what's different now. <p>How do plants grow?</p> <p>How you can help...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Look at different plants on your walk home from school. Do they look like they are thriving? Or wilting? • Grow a seed at home. Check daily to see if anything has changed. Can you draw a diagram and label it? 	<p><u>How you can help...</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use your recycling materials to make models – design it, create it and evaluate it! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Encourage fine motor skill practise – threading penne pasta on a shoelace, painting, using scissors.
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