# **Reception Newsletter**

# Middleton Parish Church School

# **Phonics**

This half term we are continuing our Phase 4 phonics learning. We will be learning to read and write words with more than one syllable (polysyllabic words) such as shampoo, lunchbox, chimpanzee.

We will also be learning about suffixes, and reading and writing words that end in ing, ed and est.

We will continue learning to read and write our tricky words also.

#### Literacy

In Literacy, our texts are all themed around summer. We will be reading some non-fiction about the things we can see in summertime and consolidate our knowledge of all the seasons as well as looking at maps and thinking about the similarities and differences between different locations. We will finish by looking at some Seaside poems and practicing performing poetry.

## **Outdoor Shoes**

To ensure all children can engage fully in our outdoor provision, we ask that each child has a pair of wellies that are left in school. These will be used for daily outdoor access and during Forest School sessions. Ideally, we ask that both wellies are clearly marked with your child's name.



#### **Understanding the World**

This half term we will be consolidating our learning about the seasons, thinking in detail about Summer but also comparing this season with what we already know about the others. We will also be looking at maps representing our local area and the world and creating our own maps of our familiar journeys.





# Reading

# Story time

At the end of every day, we all participate in a class story time. This is a wonderful end to a busy day and provides a calm transition from school to home. Story time is an important aspect of our reading curriculum and is a vital aspect of developing young children's language skills.

## **Reading Books and GORead!**

Children will continue to bring home two reading books. One of these will be closely matched to the current phonics teaching and learning, and one will

be more familiar and will revisit past phonics teaching and learning. These books should come into school and back home each day to maximise reading opportunities. Your child will also bring home 'tricky words' to practise and cards for each new phoneme that is taught.

Adults in school will read with all children at least once a week. We ask that children read at home daily.

All reading should be recorded on GORead in order for children to earn maximum gems! Problem words or phonemes can be added on GoRead.



#### **Contacting Us**

If you need to talk to Mrs Briggs, Miss Hoyle or Mrs Jenkins, please do not hesitate to send us an email. Our class email address is

reception@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

As we teach full time, it may take up to 5 days for us to reply. If you need to pass on a message in an emergency, please contact the school office.

If you need to update contact details, allergy/medical information etc, you can email the school office.

The school office email is office@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

Sometimes families need a little extra support with things such as housing, employment, emotional wellbeing and parenting. Our Engagement and Inclusion team are here to help, including signposting families to services outside of school. Should you need it, the team's email is

Eandl@middletonparishce.rochdale.sch.uk

# **Summer 2 2022**

#### **Class Clinics**

This half term, there will be an opportunity to ask questions or discuss any concerns you may have. The class clinic will take place on 29<sup>th</sup> June. A reminder will be posted on the class dojo page a few days prior to this date.

We will also be having an additional class clinic on 11<sup>th</sup> July, where you will get the chance to meet your child's new class teacher.

### P.E and Forest School

P.E and Forest School is on a Thursday for EYFS. Children should ensure they wear the correct outdoor kit on a Thursday and have their wellies in school ready to use.

#### **PSHE**

Our Heart Smart topic is Fake is a Mistake. We will be thinking about truth and the importance of being honest, using kind and encouraging words, being yourself and celebrating your own character, being thankful, and finally, celebrating what is special about our homes and our families.

# **Religious Education**

In R.E. we are looking at 'Special Times.' We will be learning about special times for different faiths, such as Baptisms/Naming ceremonies, and beginning to learn about Pentecost.



## **Maths**

In maths this term we will be learning about patterns in number such as doubles, even and odd and sharing and grouping. We will be consolidating our understanding of the composition of number and engaging in problem solving activities using our learning from across the year.

We will also be extending our spatial reasoning skills, looking at shapes and patterns and explaining what we know about them.

