



Welcome to Reception! Autumn Term 2



Dear Parents/Carers,

The children have had a wonderful first half term in Reception and we are pleased with how well they have settled into their new classes. This term we have Family Learning Conferences at the end of November and we will begin preparations for the start of Advent and our Christmas performance.

Our topic for the term is "All About Me".

We will be learning about:

- Where we live and different types of homes
- Thinking about people who are special to us
- Counting and recognising numbers to 10 and beyond.
- Writing our names and using our sounds to write some other words

Phonics We have started sending home reading books. Please read and sign your child's reading card at least 3 times per week. We will be learning our phase 2 sounds and continuing to practise segmenting and blending for reading and writing.

RE: Our topic is 'God's Family'

We will learn about:

- The annunciation and how the angel Gabriel told Mary she was going to have a baby.
- How we can prepare for Advent and how we count down to Christmas day.
- The Christmas story.

Our Core Learning Skills unit is "Knowing me, knowing you"

General Reminders...

- **Outdoor clothing** - Please provide your child with a pair of wellington boots and a waterproof jacket to keep at school so that they can participate in the outdoor curriculum at all times.
- **Items of uniform** can easily be lost within our busy classrooms so please ensure that they are labelled with your child's name so we can return any misplaced clothing.
- **Piggy Money** is £5 per term or £15 a year. This contribution enables us to fund additional activities for the children, such as cooking. Please give your contribution to the class teacher in an envelope with your child's name on it.

Can you help us?

- The children love "junk modelling", please send in any clean recyclable materials (cereal boxes, egg cartons, kitchen roll holders, plastic bottles etc) to keep the children's making area well stocked.

Thank you for your support

Ms Foster

Ms Haddon

Ms Maria

Ms Vivien