



Reception CURRICULUM LETTER

Summer Term 2 2026

Staff:

The class teachers this half term are **Mrs Powell (RA)** and **Mrs Naik (RB)**. We are supported by our amazing support assistants, **Mrs Gornall, Mrs Patel and Mrs Slater**. If you need to speak to us, please see us before or after school or ring the school office to make an appointment.

Key information:

P.E. – This half-term PE will take place on **Wednesdays**. Please ensure **all jewellery is removed** on these days and the children have their PE kit in school to get changed into.

Reading Books – Please make sure when you read with your child you sign the diary. It is very important time is spent with your child allowing them to apply the phonic sounds learnt in lessons. Please can parents also ensure books are kept in the plastic wallets as we have many books being returned damaged and ripped. There will be a £10.00 charge for any damaged books. Children will also start bringing home a library book each week. Please ensure it is returned each Thursday for it to be exchanged.

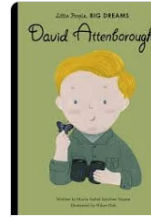
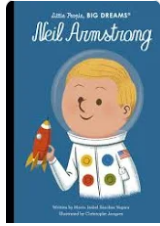
Zoo trip – Just a reminder that our Reception trip to Blackpool Zoo is on Thursday 25th June 2026. More details will follow nearer the time, please look out for them on our class dojo page.

PLEASE BE AWARE THAT WE DO NOT ALLOW NUTS IN PACKED LUNCHES AS WE HAVE SEVERAL CHILDREN WITH SEVERE NUT ALLERGIES.

Our current topic this half term is called 'Imagine That.' We will be looking at different stories with a variety of characters and settings.

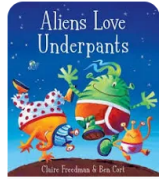
We will be exploring a different story every two weeks and using it as a basis for much of the learning within the 7 areas.

Week 1 and 2 – Little people Big Dreams – Neil Armstrong, David Attenborough (recap),
Mary Anning



Week 3 and 4- The Little Green Dinosaur/Non-fiction dinosaur books
Week 5 and 6 – Aliens love Underpants/Astro girl

**Little Green
Dinosaur**



This is what we are focusing on in the 7 areas of learning over the next half term

Communication and Language

We will be looking at lots of new and exciting stories throughout the topic and reading both fiction and non-fiction books; we will continue to encourage children to articulate their ideas and thoughts in well-formed sentences.

We will ask the children to describe events in some detail and use talk to help work out problems and organise thinking and activities. Children will listen to, and talk about, stories to build familiarity and understanding.



Personal, Social and Emotional Development

This half-term we will be continuing our 'Kisafe' unit focusing on trusted adults and saying "no". We will then move onto our final My Happy Minds unit, 'Engage'.

We will be learning about setting goals and how we can persevere; never giving up even when we are finding something difficult. We will also talk about change and our aspirations for moving to Year 1 in September.



Physical development

PE sessions will be on **Wednesdays** this half term. Please ensure your child comes to school in their PE kit on the day. All earrings and jewellery will need to be taken out. We will be concentrating on coordination and movement. Thinking about how to move in different directions and how to



build on our hopping, skipping, jumping and running skills. We will also look at team building skills and how to work together.

Literacy

In Literacy we will read a range of stories about different fantasy lands including space, imaginary worlds and dinosaurs. We will build upon our vocabulary to describe characters and settings. We will recall stories and use this knowledge to help us sequence stories. We will describe characters from the stories and think about which environments the stories are set in.

Children will continue with their daily phonic sessions, focussing on learning individual letter sounds, blending them together to read short words and phrases and then using them to write sentences using capital letters, full stops and finger spaces.

Mathematics



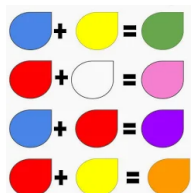
This half term we will be looking at doubling, sharing, odd and even numbers and spatial reasoning skills. We will look at deepening our problem solving and critical thinking skills through working with others to build shelters to keep dry or a boat that floats. We will also look at children continuing and creating their own ABBABB patterns.

Understanding the World



We will look at what the world was like when dinosaurs were alive and how this is different from our world today. We will learn about different animals that hatch from an egg and revisit our work on life cycles. We will be exploring three famous people from the past: Neil Armstrong, David Attenborough and Mary Anning and looking at how they contributed to the world. We will also be learning about our solar system and why humans don't live on the moon. We have caterpillars in class so the children will be able to watch them grow and see the life cycle of a butterfly.

Expressive Arts and Design



We will be using our creative skills to explore colour and making new colours through mixing colours. We will collaborate to make our own dinosaur scene using a range of resources and build our own 3D dinosaur models. We will

"Be blessed by God, be happy and aspire to be..."



also explore how to create an alien using different materials. We will be completing the KAPOW unit 'Let's get Crafty'. We will revisit skills including cutting skills, joining techniques and also exploring different textures and materials to create our own designs.