



Curriculum Newsletter for Reception Autumn 2 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the Second term in Reception. I would like to share the Curriculum overview with some key dates for this half term.

PE day will be Wednesday and will commence on Wednesday 30th October. Please ensure your child has their full PE kit with them, navy or black shorts or jogging bottoms/leggings, white t-shirt and black plimsoles.

Homework and reading books go out Thursday and pupils will be expected to return their homework to school on the following Tuesday. Please ensure all homework is complete and back at school in time.

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Please take a look at the Curriculum Map for this half term.

In Literacy we will continue to learn letter sounds and use them to read and write short words. We will be reading books about Diwali, birthdays, Shabbat, Recycling and Chanukah. We will be writing in our writing books and reading short books using our phonics knowledge.

In Mathematics we will be learning to name and describe 2D shapes and using them to make patterns and pictures. We will continue to play games with counters where we will find one more and one less and adding and subtracting.

We will continue to follow our class rights and responsibilities. We will be talking about how we can look after the environment and each other. In circle time we will talk about how we feel and learn words to express our opinion.

We will be learning new words to describe fireworks, Diwali, Shabbat and Chanukah. We will be developing listening and speaking skills with our partners.

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In Understanding the World we will continue to use the Bee-Bots and the iPads. We will be talking about celebrations we share with our families and how we can look after living things in the garden.

During Expressive Art and Design sessions we will be creating collage pictures, using paint techniques to create different effects and making models from recycled materials.

In Physical Development we will be playing spatial awareness games in PE and moving our bodies in different ways. We will be using tools to make a clay diwa. We will be talking about hygiene when making cakes.

We will be reading stories about Shabbat and Chanukah and learning how we celebrate them at home and school. We will be learning new words to describe the items on the Shabbat table and creating Chanukah pictures and cards.