

Curriculum Newsletter for Reception Autumn 2 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the second autumn term in Reception. I would like to share our Curriculum overview with you and some key dates for this half term.

PE day will continue to be on <u>Wednesdays</u>. We are also lucky to have an <u>extra PE</u> slot <u>every other</u> Thursday beginning on <u>Thursday 5th November</u>. Please ensure your child has their full PE kit with them, navy or black shorts or jogging bottoms, white t-shirt and black indoor plimsoles. Please label all PE kit.

Homework— and reading books go out on 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 our Curriculum Map for this half term.

In Literacy we will continue to practice reading and writing letter sounds and use these to read and write words and captions. We will be reading the traditional stories: Goldilocks and the Three Bears, The Little Red Hen and The Three Billy Goats Gruff.

In Mathematics we will be learning to recognise and describe 2d shapes and using them to make pictures and patterns. We will continue to develop our counting skills and play addition and subtraction games. We will be learning to measure and compare objects by weight and length.

During circle time sessions we will be talking about our feelings and the feelings of characters from stories. We will be talking about how we celebrate Chanukah and comparing it to the different celebrations we have at home.

We will be leaning new words to retell stories and act out scenes from stories using stick puppets and props. We will be learning new words to describe fireworks.

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In Understanding the World we will be learning about the Hindu festival of Diwali and making Rangoli patterns and clay Diwa's. We will be talking about the changes in ingredients when baking bread for the Little Red Hen and porridge for Goldilocks.

We will be using different mediums to create work for our 'Virtual art exhibition.' We will be learning how to combine different materials to create collages of story characters.

In PE we will continue to develop our ability to dress and undress independently. We will be learning to roll, aim, throw and catch balls and beanbags. We will be leaning to balance in different ways.

In Jewish studies we will continue to learn about the weekly Torah Portion with Rabbi Goldmeier. We will also be learning about the festival of Chanukah and learning songs and dances for our 'virtual' Chanukah show. In Ivrit we will continue to learn colours and numbers.