

Curriculum Newsletter for Reception Summer 2 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

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

<u>PE day</u> 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 10th June</u>. Please ensure your child has their full PE kit with them, <u>black</u> <u>shorts or jogging bottoms, a white t-shirt and black indoor plimsoles</u>. Please label all PE kit.

Homework- and <u>reading books</u> go out on <u>Thursday</u> and pupils will be expected to return their homework to school on the following <u>Tuesday</u>. Please ensure all homework is complete and back at school in time. Our Topic for this half term is 'Space.'

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

In phonics we will continue to use the phonics sounds we have learnt to read and write longer words and sentences. We will continue to learn new tricky and common words. We will continue to apply this phonics knowledge to write sentences about the story of the week and to read short books independently.

> We will be developing our vocabulary to talk about the planets of the solar system and events and characters from stories. We will be using talk to connect our ideas and use a range of tenses.

We will be experimenting with different printing techniques to create the surface of the moon and marbling planets. We will be mixing paints to match colours. We wil be using percussion instruments to create alien sound effects and space music. In Mathematics we will continue to solve number problems using our counting skills to twenty. We will be learning to recognise coins and play shopping games. We will be comparing and measuring lengths of objects and creating repeating patterns using a range of objects.

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In PE we will continue to develop our fine motor skills to form letters and numbers correctly, use scissors to cut around shapes and use small hammers and tweezers. In PE sessions we will be playing team games to prepare for sports day. During circle time sessions we will be talking about the feelings of different characters from stories. We will be talking about what we have enjoyed in Reception and discussing how we feel about moving to Year One.

In Understanding the World we will continue to develop our ICT skills to draw pictures on the iPad and programming the Bee-Bots to reach a target. We will be finding out how to create moon craters and launch space mice. We will be talking about similarities and differences between planets of the Solar System.

In Ivrit we will continue to develop our vocabulary to name colours, numbers and parts of the body and use them to sing rhymes and songs. We will be learning about the weekly Parashot during Kabbalat Shabbat assembly and continue to bake Challah for Shabbat.