Reception Curriculum Newsletter

Autumn 1 2026



Welcome to EYFS.
Our topic for the first half term is:
All About Me!

Skills we will begin to develop:

Build Relationships
Use our friends' names and share
Look after ourselves and our environment

Resilience
Keep smiling even if something is difficult and keep trying

Risk taking
Have a go at name recognising or name writing with correct formation

Resourcefulness
Use all senses
Finding appropriate resources in the classroom independently

Reflection
Think about behaviour – is it good or could it be better?
Are we listening carefully?

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Jigsaw PHSE
I understand how it feels to belong and that we are similar and different. I can start to recognise my feelings. I enjoy working with others to make school a good place to be. I understand why it is good to be kind and use gentle hands. I am starting to understand children's righs

Physical Development

Use fine motor skills e.g. cutting and sticking activities Pencil control and fine motor control activities
Letter formation
Use gross motor skills - GetSet4PE
To follow instructions and move safely. To stop safely and develop control when using equipment.

Communication, Language and Literacy

Recognise our name / name writing and letters
Hear and say the initial sounds in words / link sounds to letters

ReadySteadyWrite - The Something by Rebecca Cobb. Talk about characters in stories.
Begin to order story events.
Retell the story.

Mathematics

Count objects 1:1 and match them to the correct number to 5.
Begin to recognise and order numerals to 5.
Comparing groups within 5.
Comparing quantities of non-identical objects.
Shapes.

Expressive Arts and Design

Learn songs used in school e.g. 'Are you listening?'.
Learn rhyming songs with actions and music and movement activities – how can my body move?
Explore musical instruments and sounds
Select colour for purpose - painting self, home and family and model making

Understanding the World

Geography - My local area
Science - My body and my senses
E-safety – at home and in school
Talk about my family and events we enjoy together
Find out about different autumn – leaves and animals
Use the classroom interactive whiteboard / computers / tablets
Recognise and use roleplay ICT props e.g. microwave, camera, walkie-talkies.

Other Information

Please make sure that your child arrives in school every day with a warm, waterproof coat or jacket and a named water bottle, thank you.

We are looking forwards to an action packed first half term!
Mrs Van and Ms Warner