Reception Curriculum Newsletter

Spring 1 2026



Welcome back.
We hope you had a very enjoyable Christmas break.
Our topic for the first half term is:

Transport

Skills we will begin to develop:

Build Relationships	Resilience	Risk taking	Resourcefulness	Reflection
Begin to solve friendship issues - compromise	Encourage friends to keep going – show them how to!	If something doesn't go according to plan, think about ways to do it differently	Make independent choices across all learning areas	Are we thinking about our 'Next Steps' in learning and how should they make a difference?

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

Jigsaw PSHE:
Reception – Dreams and Goals
Beginning to stay motivated when doing something challenging, Never giving up, Setting a goal, Having a positive attitude when obstacles occur, Helping others to achieve their goals, Working hard to achieve your own dreams and goals.

Physical Development

Fine motor control activities including letter formation, transferring items and using scissors independently.
GetSet4PE - gymnastics – exploring creating shapes and balances, jumps and rolls e.g. sliding, hopping, sideways and backwards.
Demonstrating personal safety when using equipment.

Communication, Language and Literacy

Word Reading
Say a sound for each letter in the alphabet and at least 10 digraphs
Read words consistent with their phonic knowledge by sound blending.
Blending and segmenting words for writing

Mathematics

Have a deep understanding of number to 10, including the composition of each number.
Subitise.
Numbers to 10, Comparing numbers within 10, Addition to 10, Measure, Number bonds to 10, Subtraction and Exploring Patterns.

Expressive Arts and Design

Making models from junk using own ideas
Choosing ways to make adaptions to models
Exploring musical instruments to create a beat / rhythm
Joining in with refrains in stories and poems
Exploring ways to make adaptions to models

Understanding the World

Lunar New Year, Transport, People Who Help Us and pets
RE: Celebrations
Talking about family events
Developing Experts: Machines and Forces
Using roleplay ICT props e.g. Walkie Talkies / tablets
Talking about internet safety

Other Information

- Further information about our learning can be found on our school website class page.
- 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.
- **Reading books, reading records and library books need to be returned on a Wednesday.**

We are looking forward to an action packed and exciting half term!
Mrs Van and Mrs Warner