



Reception Spring Term Curriculum Newsletter



Topics



Spring 1: All around the world

We will jet off to different countries and continents around the world to find out about climates, habitats and cultures.

Spring 2: Once upon a time

We will explore traditional tales throughout this term where we will become familiar with different settings, characters and events that happen within stories.

Personal, Social and Emotional Development

As we move into our second term, we will be revisiting the importance of why we have rules and how to keep safe in different situations. We will learn the importance of being kind and how this can affect our friends.

We will begin to get changed independently for PE too. This will help us to develop coordination skills and resilience. Please practice any parts of getting changed that are tricky at home.



Finally, we will be learning about oral hygiene and how healthy eating is important for our bodies.

Communication and Language

This term we will be developing our questioning skills. Children will be encouraged to share their ideas in small groups and whole class activities.



In Spring 1 we will be explaining what we have learnt about different places in the world and in Spring 2 we will be practising our language skills by interviewing different characters from stories

Physical Development

This term in PE, we will focussing on balancing in gymnastics before progressing into our dance topic in Spring 2.



We will have a particular focus on using scissors carefully and accurately throughout our fine-motor challenges this term.



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Literacy

Writing: We will start to write captions and short sentences using the accurate letter formation throughout the term. We will also start to incorporate tricky words into our writing.

Reading: We will be referring to non-fiction texts to aid us with finding out more about the world around us in Spring 1. We will also explore the stories of 'The runaway Iceberg' and 'A gift for Amma'. We will then focus on three traditional tales in Spring 2 of 'The magic porridge pot', 'Jack and the Beanstalk' and 'Rapunzel'. We will explore the structure of the stories, the settings and the characters.



Phonics: We will continue to progress with learning new phonemes over the term whilst developing our confidence in reading.

Maths

In maths, we will explore measurements in different and will learn to describe 3D shapes accurately. We will be consolidating our number knowledge and beginning to learn different ways to make 5 and 10 known as number bonds and comparing quantities.



Understanding the world

In Spring 1, we will have a strong focus on the world around us. We will be looking at similarities and differences between places around the world and will use maps too. In Spring 2, we will be learning about new life and growth as we move into springtime.

We will learn about Easter, Holi and New Year's celebrations in RE throughout the term.



Expressive art and design

In art we will be learning how to use watercolours effectively. In D+T we will be creating a range of structures using different materials. We will be exploring different music and instruments from around the world.



Days to remember

Tuesday: Reading book swap

Friday: PE, Springfield, Diary updates

Key Dates

Holi Theme day: 2nd February

March Date TBC: Perform workshop

7th March: World Book Day

19th and 21st March: Parent Consultations