



Reception Curriculum Newsletter

Spring Term 2026

Class Information

Teachers: Ms Mauger and Mrs Rogers

LSAs in the Phase/ Year Group: Mrs Allen, Mrs Fallaize Miss Batiste

Welcome Back

It has been wonderful to see all the children after the festive break and start an exciting new term. We are going to be covering an array of different topics with them and we can't wait to dive in. At the heart of our curriculum, we want to foster curiosity, independence and a love of learning. We do this through daily inputs on the carpet and carefully curated and selected activities across our continuous provision. The children have a wealth of resources at their fingertips and we are here to guide and model how to use them. We can't wait to see what they discover in the term ahead!

Reception Learning for this Term

English:

Phonics will continue, we use the Little Wandle scheme and we are now using Reception, Spring 1. The parent information is given to you on a weekly basis via Class Dojo.

Now that we have learnt all of our single sounds we are using Kinetic Letters. Reception will continue to make our bodies stronger to help us write; we will continue to practice how to hold the pencil and now we will be learning how to form our letters.

In English, we have introduced 'drawing club.' It is an immersive literacy adventure where children bring stories to life through the magic of drawing. By blending imagination with "secret codes" it transforms mark-making into an activity that builds confidence and fine motor skills. It's a joyful approach where there are no mistakes, only endless possibilities for storytelling and creativity.

Thank you for your support at home reading with your children. We can see so much progress already! Kindly continue to aim to read with your child at least 4 times a week. Check inside the front and back cover of your child's book for guidance.

Maths:

This term we will be subitising and partitioning numbers to 10, to provide children with the foundations of what number is and how one number is made up of many different numbers (e.g. 4 is made up of 2+2, 1+3, 0+4). We will be problem solving and applying our knowledge to everyday situations in our continuous provision. On top of this, we will also be looking at measure, capacity, length, height and time where we will challenge and stretch their understanding and allow them to discover new concepts and ideas.

Learning in other areas of the curriculum:

We will continue to work towards Early Learning Goals (ELGs), accessed through the seven areas of Learning:

- Personal, Social and Emotional Development: This term we will be focussing on managing feelings, persevering and friendships.
- Communication and Language: We will be focusing on developing our speaking in sentences, taking turns to speak and listening skills.
- Physical development: We will be developing your child's fundamental physical skills. For example balancing, hopping, skipping, throwing and catching. This will be taught in P.E. lessons and continued in continuous provision throughout the day. We have noticed that all children would benefit from fine motor skills at home e.g. playing with playdough/sorting items/threading/cutting, etc.
- Understanding of the World: Children will be investigating and thinking about transport. We have listened to the interests of the children and feel they will all be engaged in this topic. Reception will look at festivals including Chinese New Year, pancake day and Easter.
- Expressive Arts and Design: making a using salt dough focussing on creating a piece that takes time which we return to. Colour mixing with paint to create different colours and shades. Creating and planning junk modelling before construct.

Learning at Home:

Please see our new [Home Learning Guide](#). This outlines the expectations of home learning for each year group and ideas for how to achieve them.

Generic Weekly Timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning 1	Phonics Drawing club	Phonics Drawing club	Phonics Drawing club	Phonics Drawing club	Phonics Drawing club
Morning 2	Guided reading Maths Continuous Provision PE both classes	Guided reading Maths Continuous Provision PE REM	Guided reading Maths Continuous Provision	Guided reading Maths Continuous Provision PE RAR	Guided reading Maths Continuous Provision
Afternoon	Kinetic letters handwriting Continuous Provision	Kinetic letters handwriting Continuous Provision	Kinetic letters handwriting Continuous Provision	Kinetic letters handwriting Continuous Provision	Kinetic letters handwriting Continuous Provision

Dates for your diary:

Please keep an eye on Dojo for additional dates throughout the year.

Half Term - Monday 16th February - Friday 20th February

Parents Evening - Tuesday 17th and Wednesday 18th March

Comic Relief - Friday 20th March

End of Term (Finish at 1pm) - Friday 27th March

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